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VOL. 46

## WARLIKE ACTION IN CARIBBEAN

### DUTCH CRUISER SEIZES COASTGUARD SHIP

### Venezuelan Captain Stuffs His Country's Flag in His Pocket.

Wilhelmina, Island of Curacao, Dec. 14.—The following detailed story of the capture on Saturday last of the Venezuela coastguard ship *Alix*, by the Dutch cruiser *Gelderland*, was obtained this morning from an officer of the cruiser. At 6 o'clock on Saturday morning the *Gelderland* was steaming slowly a short distance off the Fort at Puerto Cabello. She noticed the *Alix* coming in, and after taking up a position that prevented the passage of the smaller boat, she ordered her to stop and sent a boat to search the Venezuela vessel.

It was discovered that the captain of the *Alix* had hidden his Venezuelan pennant in his pocket, and he pretended that his vessel was a merchant steamer. A passenger on board the *Alix*, however, declared to the Dutch officer that the *Alix* was a coastguard vessel. A search was then made. The flag was found in the captain's pocket, and six rifles and a small quantity of ammunition also were discovered. The rifles were in bad condition.

The crew of the *Alix* were given their choice of coming to Curacao or going ashore at Puerto Cabello. They preferred the latter course, embarked in one of their own boats and pulled into the harbor.

The Venezuela gunboat *Restaurador*, was at Puerto Cabello, and the officer of the *Gelderland* could see her getting up steam. Smoke was pouring from her funnel. The *Gelderland* stayed outside Puerto Cabello for several hours waiting to see if the *Restaurador* would come out, but she did not venture northward. The *Gelderland* manned the *Alix* with an officer and several marines and towed her into Curacao, arriving yesterday. The *Alix* is now anchored in the inner bay.

#### Venezuela Protests.

Caracas, Venezuela, via Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 14.—Foreign Minister Paul to-day sent a note to the members of the Diplomatic Corps here protesting vigorously against the "repeated violation of the territorial rights of Venezuela" by the three Dutch warships that have been cruising in Venezuelan waters since December 2nd. No blockade has been declared, he set forth and the continual interference with the coastwise shipping is having a detrimental effect upon the commerce of neutral powers. In conclusion the foreign minister says:

"Venezuela protests with energy against these aggressions upon the territorial sovereignty of the republic, and she holds Holland responsible for all the consequences."

### GERMANY TO MAKE OVERTURES TO CANADA

### Wants Improved Trade Rela- tions—Modus Vivendi May Be Found

Berlin, Dec. 14.—The German government is awaiting the result of the debate in the French senate in regard to the proposed Franco-Canadian commercial treaty. Should the senate ratify the treaty, then there is little doubt Germany will try and come to similar arrangements with Canada.

It is believed that, supported by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the present Canadian cabinet will find a modus vivendi, which would be acceptable to the commercial interests of Germany.

#### MURDER MYSTERY.

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Esther Brandt, widow of a former prominent physician of Llewellyn, near here, was found on the kitchen floor of her home on Saturday stabbed to death with a knife. The cause of the killing is shrouded in mystery, as the home bears no evidence of having been robbed, and the weapon is of such a character, the knife having entered the throat and emerged at the back of the neck, that it is not thought it could have been self-inflicted.

The woman was 65 years of age and resided by herself; her sole means of support being a government pension of \$12 per month.

#### ROCKEFELLER IN CLEVELAND.

Cleveland, Dec. 13.—Unexpected and unheralded, John D. Rockefeller arrived in Cleveland on Saturday from New York. The oil magnate went to his town house, and then for the first time in years strolled about the oil works at East Thirteenth street and the Nickle Plate tracks, where he first set up business as an oil refiner, rode in a street car to Forest Hill, his East Cleveland estate, tramped about the place for two hours with the caretaker, and returned to his town home to pass the night.

#### ROOSEVELT APPROVES PROPOSED VISIT OF PRESIDENT-ELECT TO Isthmus.

Washington, Dec. 14.—William H. Taft, president-elect, contemplates a visit to Panama before his inauguration. This visit is approved by President Roosevelt and Secretary Root.

While it has not been finally determined upon, Mr. Taft announced on Saturday night that it was intention to go. Should this be his final decision, he will leave Charleston, S. C., probably in the last week in January for a trip which will occupy approximately twenty days.

There are many reasons, in Mr. Taft's view, why the trip of the president-elect to the Isthmus would be of decided advantage to the advancement of the canal project, and consequently to the United States. President Roosevelt's visit proved a decided stimulus to the work. There are constantly arising and accumulating many minor tangents of administration and conflict of authority which the presence of the president or the president-elect would make possible of elimination with little difficulty. Mr. Taft feels that this will be practically his only opportunity to visit the Isthmus during his forthcoming term as president.

#### MRS. EDDY'S HEALTH.

Christian Science Leader Reported to Be  
in Usual Trim.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 14.—Reports that Mrs. Baker-Eddy, of the Christian Science church, was ill, were denied by Mrs. Eddy's attendants to-day, who said that their leader was in her usual health. Mrs. Eddy was said to be attending to her writing and other engagements to-day as usual. She took her daily drive on Saturday in spite of stormy weather and was planning to do the same this afternoon.

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### BALCONY COLLAPSES.

Spectators at Moving Picture Show Buried in Debris—Audience in a Panic.

New York, Dec. 14.—An audience of 500 persons was thrown into a panic on Saturday night, and a score were injured, several seriously, when the balcony in a moving picture show house on the Lower East side collapsed. Firemen and police reserves were rushed to the scene of the accident, and a dozen of the victims who had been buried in the debris of the collapse in the gallery were dug out and attended to by surgeons.

Thirty of those in the gallery were precipitated to the floor of the building when the section just back of the railing gave way. There was a rush for the stairs by those remaining in the gallery, and in the jam several persons were slightly injured.

### B. C.'S REPRESENTATION IN DOMINION CABINET

### Sir Wilfrid Anxious to Meet Views of Mining Men Throughout Canada.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—British Columbia's two Liberal members, R. Smith and W. Sloan, are in the city consulting with the Hon. W. Templeman and Sir Wilfrid Laurier respecting the cabinet representation of the province. Mr. Smith arrived on Saturday and Mr. Sloan this morning.

Nothing definite has been decided as yet as to what will be the outcome of the present situation, but it is understood the premier is desirous to arrange, if possible, to meet the general desire expressed by the Liberals of the Pacific coast and by the mining interests generally throughout Canada, that Mr. Templeman retain the port of Mines and Inland Revenue.

The present difficulty of a seat for Mr. Templeman during the coming session can be satisfactorily overcome, as it is believed here, that the result of the protest entered in Victoria will mean the re-opening of that seat, and in the bye-election next year the election of the minister would be practically certain.

Mr. Smith leaves for home again on Wednesday.

### KING EDWARD AGAIN

#### IN NORMAL HEALTH

London, Dec. 14.—King Edward improved to-day in London greatly. He held an audience with the Duke of Cambridge at Buckingham Palace, during which he walked briskly about the rooms and conversed freely and animatedly with those present.

Upon the advice of his physicians the King has given up his visit to Lord Burton in Derbyshire, because of the inclement weather, and returns to Brighton to-morrow.

#### SCHOOLGIRL TRAGEDY.

Fourteen-Year-Old Lella Sigmund Chooses Death Rather Than Go to School.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 14.—Because she did not want to go to school, Lella Sigmund, 14 years old, ended her life with carbolic acid at the home of her step-father, Fred Teeples, 42, Twenty-third avenue, on Saturday night. The girl, who had intended to leave a note explaining her rash act, was frustrated by the arrival of her step-father, was indicated by pen, ink and paper set out on a table in the front room.

#### AEROPLANE TRIAL.

Hammonton, N. J., Dec. 14.—The aeroplane Silver Dart, the fourth machine of this kind built by the Aero Experiment Club, made four flights early this morning. The balance and control of the aeroplane proved satisfactory during the night.

#### UNRELENTING CRUSADE

### CASTRO KEEPS MISSION SECRET

### MYSTERY SURROUNDS HIS PRESENCE IN EUROPE

### Leaves Paris for Berlin—No Communication With French Government.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Following President Castro's criticism of France's attitude towards the Venezuela government in his interview with a representative of the *Temps* here last night, the French government to-day issued a semi-official note explaining its position. The note states that Castro was informed when he disembarked at Paulliac, last week, that no opposition would be made to his landing and also that if as reported from Port de France, Martinique, the distinguished visitor desired by his own personal intervention to re-establish diplomatic relations, the French government was willing, provided he refrained from any declaration calculated to disturb public order.

At the same time, Castro was notified that eventually negotiations must occur through the regular diplomatic channels, and that any departure from the above conditions would be followed by expulsion. The note says Castro made no reply to the government, but at Paris informed Foreign Minister Pichon, through his physician, that he was leaving for Germany. The government will be questioned in the Chamber of Deputies to-day by a colonial deputy regarding its attitude toward President Castro, and it is understood that M. Pichon will make a statement in reply.

Interviewed by Woman.

Paris, Dec. 14.—A woman newspaper writer succeeded in getting an amusing interview with President Castro on Saturday by sending up to him, a letter in Spanish asking him to deliver a message to Venezuela before the Latin-American league.

When the Venezuelan president appeared he was very ungracious at first but finding that she was not a Spanish woman but a Parisienne, cheered up. He asked her, with a glance at the lowering grey sky out of the window, if it was always cold in Paris. The lady pointed out that it was winter now, and said that if he went to Berlin for an operation he would find it much colder there. "Operation," exclaimed President Castro, "I am no more sick than you are." Asked why he did not go to the Riviera, he said he had heard of it. The interviewer, seeing an opening to introduce politics, remarked: "Perhaps you would not be permitted to go there."

"I do exactly as I wish," said Castro, emphasizing his words with a thump on the table with his fist. He fenced the other questions with clumsy compliments, concluding by smilingly saying that it was the brightest hour of his stay in Paris.

Going to Berlin.

Cologne, Dec. 14.—President Castro, of Venezuela, arrived here yesterday evening from Paris and spent the night at a hotel. Early this morning he started with the members of his party for Berlin. The president looks very pale and seems to be a sick man.

Appears in Airship and Scat-  
ters Largesse to Crowd of  
2,000.

(Special to the Times.)

### JAPS TO COMMENCE MISSION SECRET

### OCEAN RATE WAR

London, Dec. 14.—The Edinburgh Scotsman understands the Japanese are about to commence a rate cutting against the C. P. R. on the Pacific with the object of driving them off the ocean, as they have already driven the American lines.

### VANCOUVER LADY LOSES \$15,000 NECKLACE

### Misses Diamonds After Reach- ing Frisco en Route to Los Angeles.

(Special to the Times.)

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 14.—Mrs. A. M. McKillop, of Vancouver, B. C., wife of a wealthy business man of that city en route to Los Angeles for the winter, has reported to the police the loss of a diamond necklace valued at \$15,000. The police, after rigid investigation, are inclined to believe the gems were stolen or lost during Mrs. McKillop's journey from Vancouver.

The loss was not discovered until Mrs. McKillop opened her trunk at the hotel here. Mrs. McKillop thinks the necklace was stolen at the time the baggage was examined for customs duties when the train crossed the line from British Columbia. She says the line was passed about midnight and that she gave the keys of the trunk to an attendant, who saw them through the customs routine.

The railroad officials and government authorities at the line have been notified.

Relief trains were sent to the scene of the disaster, and one which returned here several hours later, brought back the report that forty-five of the injured had been sent to the hospital. The officials on the train stated that eleven dead had been found, while many others in the gang of a hundred and twenty who were employed on the cut were missing.

It was also reported by the trainmen that the explosion was due to a passing steam shovel, which hooked the wire leading to the immense charge of dynamite.

Two Americans Dead.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Official advices show that there were two Americans killed in the explosion at Bas Obispo. These are John J. Reid, a foreman, from Indianapolis, Ind., and James H. Hummer, of Dunnehill, N. J. The brief message from Chairman Goethals to Capt. Hogg, chief of the Washington office of the commission, gave no details.

STREET CROSSING FATALITY.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—One man was killed and several others passengers escaped with slight injuries yesterday, when a Michigan Central freight train ran into a street car at a crossing in Chicago Heights.

YACHT CLUB MURDER

TRIAL OPENS TO-DAY

Thornton J. Haines Charged as  
Accessory in Slaying of  
William Annis.

(Special to the Times.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 14.—Oscar Hart, of Skidoo, Cal., a mining man, yesterday afternoon scattered largesse from Roy Knabenshue's airship for twenty minutes to two thousand scramblers below. Hart appears periodically from Skidoo with pockets full of largesse, but hitherto has scattered it to the crowds from an automobile. He says "It's the greatest sport ever."

YACHT CLUB MURDER

TRIAL OPENS TO-DAY

U. S. ATTORNEY GENERAL

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 14.—Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte on Saturday indicated that he would not be a member of President Taft's cabinet when in response to an inquiry on the subject he said that after March 4th next he positively would retire from public life.

POSTHUMOUS TITLE

FOR TSU HZI AN

To Be Called "Filial and Admirable Empress of the  
Heavens."

(Special to the Times.)

Peking, Dec. 14.—An edict was issued yesterday conferring upon the late Dowager Empress Tsu Hzi An, the posthumous title of "Filial and Admirable Empress of the Heavens, equal and bright and practicing holiness."

The edict orders that special ceremonies be carried out in connection with the conferring of the title.

PUBLIC WORKS IN ALBERTA.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 14.—John Stocks,

assistant minister of public works of Alberta, reported to-day that the public works in the province are now in a state of actual construction as follows: Bridge, Taber over Belly river; bridge at McLeod over Old Man river; bridge at Red Deer over Red Deer; Wetaskiwin court house, nearing completion.

Provincial telephone warehouse in this city, almost finished.

Work has been suspended on the Calgary land titles office owing to shortage of supplies. The second door of the parliament building at Edmonton will be completed by the end of January. Mr. Stocks expects that these various works will be continued right through the winter months.

CALGARY'S NEW LIBRARY.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 14.—The Calgary library board will take immediate steps to push forward the construction of the new library for Calgary.

All the stone will be got out at once, and the work of excavation will be commenced in a few days.

TRIBUTE TO BILL NYE.

Grenada, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Dr. John M. Daniels, of Hendersonville, N. C., a personal friend of the humorist, Bill Nye, has placed an order for a large block of rough granite to be placed as a monument at Nye's grave at Black Sholes. An epitaph engraved on bronze is being prepared as the only inscription for the monument.

KILLED BY DYNAMITE.

Cobalt, Ont., Dec. 14.—George Hinds,

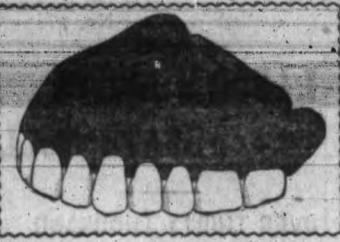
of Cresmore, was killed at the O'Brien mine by dynamite which exploded through the heat of his hands. He leaves a wife and family.

BULL-FIGHTING TRAGEDY.

Mexico City, Dec. 1

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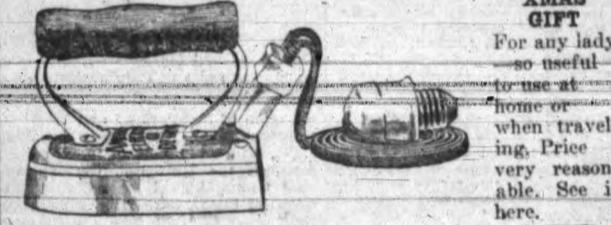
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CHOCOLATE, Ontario, per lb. 25c.
COCONUT, Vanier's, 4-lb. tin ... 50c.
RAISINS, 1 lb. ... 50c.
MUSTARD, Colman's, per 1 lb. 25c.
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**COMMITTED FOR TRIAL****ON STABBING CHARGE**

Martin Hauptcorn Will Have to Appear in Higher Court.

Martin Hauptcorn was this morning committed for trial at the assizes on a charge of stabbing a fellow Roman Catholic, Eli Heilo. Through his lawyer, W. C. Moresby, he reserved his defense.

City Prosecutor Moore, before hearing of the case, pointed out to Magistrate Jay that the injured man had disappeared after leaving St. Joseph's hospital. The police were not notified that the man was leaving the hospital, although it was known then that he was needed as a witness. It was not the first time this had happened, and the police authorities thought that the hospital should let them have notice in such cases.

Alexander McLean, who is lately back from a sealing cruise and is living at the Colonial hotel, was an eye-witness of the stabbing. He was standing back from the bar and saw Hauptcorn come out from the rear and pass a group of men who were talking at the bar. Hauptcorn turned back, put his right hand in his trouser's pocket and drew out a knife, with which he stabbed one of the group in the back. The injured man was taken away by his friends and the assailant went out by the front door.

Joseph Bernard was on the scene earlier than McLean and saw some quarrelling between the men. He saw Hauptcorn take a knife from his left trouser's pocket and transfer it to his right pocket, and a few minutes later saw him make a lunge at the wounded man.

John Quale, who is a cousin of Eli Heilo, said there had been trouble between the accused and Heilo. He saw Hauptcorn make a punch at Heilo, but saw no knife, and afterwards saw Heilo's wound.

William E. Dauby and Ernest Ferguson, manager of the Colonial hotel, gave corroborative testimony as to the stabbing of Heilo by Hauptcorn.

The magistrate thought there was sufficient evidence to warrant committing the accused for trial.

Alex. Vied, with whom some of the witnesses said Hauptcorn had an alteration previous to his assault on Heilo, will come up to-morrow morning for trial on a charge of being mixed up in the affray and drawing a knife.

Mr. Lemieux, the Canadian postmaster-general, who is now on his way home, devoted much of his time in London to this matter. He is of the opinion that a rate of ten cents a word is feasible.

**CECIL RHODES' WORK.**

Address to Be Given by Rev. Tremayne Dunstan This Evening.

This evening Rev. Tremayne Dunstan, formerly of Australia, but now of West Seattle, will give his lecture on "Cecil Rhodes, the Empire Builder, by One Who Knows," in the First Congregational church. Rev. Mr. Dunstan lived in South Africa for 15 years, during which time he witnessed the building of the great Empire builder at first hand. His lecture should therefore be a most interesting one. All are cordially invited to attend the lecture.

The death occurred this morning of Joseph Russell at the age of 42 years. He has been in ill health for about four years, his death taking place at the Jubilee hospital. Mr. Russell was a native of Austria. The deceased leaves a wife and one child. He was well known in Victoria, where for a number of years he has followed the occupation of cigar-maker. He was prominent in the local Eagle's Lodge and the funeral will take place on Wednesday evening from the Eagle hall to the Seattle boat. The body will be sent to Seattle, where it will be cremated.

Excellent Programme of Vocal Music to Be Given To-Night.

This evening in Institute hall the male voice choir will give a programme of music. The training of the boys at 8:15, the singing of solos at 8:30, the singer of great experience, the choir has made splendid progress and is in first-class shape for to-night.

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Peremptory Order From Cruiser Gelderland—Republic in State of Defence.

Caracas, Venezuela, Sunday, Dec. 13, via Port of Spain, Dec. 14.—The news of the capture of the Venezuelan coast-guard ship Alexis by the Dutch cruiser Gelderland last Saturday became known in Caracas this morning. A big crowd at once assembled in the Plaza Bolivar and demonstrated in support of the government. A decree issued by Acting President Gomez places the republic in a state of defence.

The captain of the Alexis who came ashore at Puerto Cabello has sent up to Caracas the communication handed to him by the Dutch officer who came on board from the Gelderland. This note is as follows:

"On board the cruiser Gelderland, December 12th, her Majesty the Queen of Holland has given orders for her warships temporarily to sequestre and embargo all Venezuelan government vessels. This is a retaliatory message. We demand that you lower your flag and surrender your ship and your persons to the commander of the Gelderland. All resistance will be useless. If you resist, the result will be the loss of your vessel and death to many of you. (Signed) Second Lieutenant Boiman."

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"I consider these acts a true invasion of Venezuelan territory and an aggression against the Venezuelan government. They constitute a grave offence. The national sovereignty is threatened and the territorial integrity, honor and dignity of the fatherland is in danger. I decree the nation in a state of defence, and consequently the executive assumes and will exercise the extraordinary faculties conferred upon him by section 33 of article 4 of the Venezuelan constitution."

A previous dispatch in which the name of the seized vessel is given as Alix appears on page 1.

**STIFLING SEDITION WITH A FIRM HAND**

Bengal Leader Arrested by British Officials—Editor Translated.

**INTER-IMPERIAL CABLE QUESTION**

London, Dec. 14.—Great excitement prevails here owing to developments in the agitation against the government. The most prominent Bengal leader in Eastern Bengal, Dutta, was arrested on Saturday and conveyed to an unknown destination. Another prominent nationalist leader, Mitra, editor of the Sanjibani, has been arrested at Calcutta, while the editor of another native paper has been sentenced to transportation on the charge of sedition.

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## PARIS NEWSPAPERMAN ON PANAMA SCANDAL

Says United States Bought  
Property From Her Own  
Citizens.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Prominent men in Paris who figured in the Panama canal deal smiled when they were shown President Roosevelt's strong and unequivocal statements denying the report that certain Americans got a "rake-off" from the sale of the Panama canal. "I do not care to have myself enrolled in the American club," said one of the best known newspaper owners of Paris, "and therefore I do not care to be quoted, but I know a thing or two about the subject under discussion. President Roosevelt is doubtless perfectly sincere, but at the same time he does not know the details, nor would he be likely to. In fact, they are not particularly the president's business. I am willing to repeat and can prove, if necessary, that the United States bought the canal from a group of its own citizens, who, through clever manoeuvring acquired either the canal outright or the privilege of selling it at any figure not below a certain sum. There are at least a score of persons in Paris who know this."

## CARRIE NATION EJECTED FROM SCOTTISH PUBS

Accosts Clergyman Whom She  
Meets Smoking a  
Cigarette.

London, Dec. 14.—"All nations are welcome here except Carrie," is the legend with which the public houses of Dundee, Scotland, are now decorated. By way of enforcing the announcement two of the public house keepers threw the reformer from their premises without ceremony or tenderness.

Carrie was not dismayed by this treatment but made tracks for the next bar. En route she met a clergyman smoking a cigarette. "Take that vile thing from your mouth," she exclaimed, but the offender bestowed a smile on her and walked on. Carrie has been shocked to find tea drinking so common in Scotland, where, indeed, an amazing quantity of the beverage is consumed at all hours. She classes tea, drinking with the morphine habit and has added it to her growing repertoire.

## MONUMENT TO OSCAR WILDE.

Anonymous Donor Gives £20,000 to Erect  
One in Paris.

London, Dec. 14.—Twenty thousand pounds has been given for the erection of a monument to Oscar Wilde in Père la Chaise cemetery, Paris, by a donor who desired to remain anonymous.

An announcement to this effect was made at the complimentary dinner at the Ritz hotel to Robert Ross in recognition of his publication of Wilde's works in the face of considerable difficulty owing to the author's estate being in bankruptcy.

The large company present included Sir Martin Conway, the Duchess of Sutherland, Lord Howard de Walden, who is generally supposed to be the anonymous donor of the monument; Edmund Gosse, William Archer, and H. G. Wells.

Mr. Ross, referring to the toast of the evening, said that he had been informed in 1901 by an official of the bankruptcy court that none of Wilde's works had any literary or commercial value, but by the sales of "De Profundis" at home and abroad he soon hoped to help pay off £6,000 of Wilde's debts.

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## STRATHCONA'S SUCCESSOR.

London, Dec. 14.—The Daily Mail says a successor to Lord Strathcona has not yet been appointed, though it is understood the post has been offered to Sir Montague Allan, who is not, however, asked to decide immediately.

The rose is the emblem of secrecy in Greece, and was formerly hung over the table where guests were entertained, in token that nothing heard there was to be repeated. Hence the phrase "sub rosa," and its English equivalent, "Under the rose."

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### PATRONAGE.

The culminating point in effrontry is probably reached in the assertion that there is no partisanship in the administration of affairs by the McBride government of British Columbia. The proof of the truth of this naive contention is said to be found in the fact that with the advent of the present government there were no dismissals of Grits from office. It would indeed have been a hard task for the government to dismiss Grit officials from the service of the province when all the circumstances of the case are considered. British Columbia has been administered by Tories, practically, for a generation, although it is true that up to the time of the formation of the McBride-government party lines were not rigidly drawn. The civil service consequently reflected more or less accurately the political opinions of the members of the government and the supporters of the government. Under the circumstances it would have been a task of considerable difficulty and of great delicacy for the Premier to have adopted the methods of Premier Whitney of Ontario and of Premier Hazen of New Brunswick and to have cleared the offices in order to make places for the personal friends and supporters of the new regime. But of such opportunities as it has had the government has taken the fullest advantage. There is no question whatever of the fact that the present government conducts its business upon strictly partisan principles. There is no province in the Dominion 'in which the vicious "principle" that to the victors belong the spoils is more inflexibly applied. In fact seven-eighths of the strength of the McBride government lies in its effective distribution of patronage for the purpose of purchasing support. Every job, from the conduct of important or petty legal business in the courts to repair of roads in the rural districts is farmed out with a view to bringing advantage to the party. Nor is this indefensible practice confined now to provincial affairs. The machine is brought into active play in federal affairs also. Officials drawing handsome remuneration from the provincial government spend a great portion of their time going up and down the country canvassing and cajoling electors into supporting candidates of the Dominion Conservative party. There is no question whatever of this fact. The candidates of the Liberal party were brought unpleasantly face to face with it in the late elections in Yale-Cariboo and Kootenay. The Revelstoke Mail-Herald bears testimony to it as follows:

"John Bangs, of Fire Valley, was one of the best Liberal workers in the late campaign in Kootenay. Harry Wright went into Fire Valley with all the paper and campaign funds of the McBride government behind him and canvassed every voter, scattering around judicious promises of a fat job here, and a favor there, and a general distribution of slick McBride campaign methods. He left the valley believing all was serene and that here was another sure majority for Goodwin."

The situation therefore is that the revenues of the province, or funds which ought if honestly administered to be turned into the coffers of the province, are unscrupulously and dishonestly applied for the enhancement of the glory and the advancement of the ambitions of Premier McBride. There is no doubt whatever that that honorable gentleman has in view the prospect of some day bursting forth into splendor as a federal politician, of becoming a member of a Conservative government, possibly of being chosen the leader of such a government. If he could, by the adoption of the system outlined, deliver a solid Tory British Columbia into the hands of his federal allies, his chances of advancement would be that much the brighter. That is his supreme ambition; for that reason he has employed his tool the leader of the so-called Socialist party and the provincial resources which have been very unwisely placed at his disposition.

Mr. McBride, however, is more candid than his organ. He does not, and will not, deny that his administration is partisan nor that it is his intention to make the most of the influences in his hands for partisan purposes. The patronage list is in existence in this province in connection with every department of the public service. The Premier will admit this, and will further declare his intention to keep it in existence as long as he has any say in the matter. He confessed its existence to a Mayor of Victoria in a declaration that not even the license or the police commissioners of this city could be appointed except upon the recommendation of the members of the Legislature thoroughly understanding that it is true

that seven-eighths of his power lies in the effective administration of patronage. Shear him of that and he would be in a worse position than Samson of old when shorn of his locks through the treachery of a courtesan. The organ which attempts to deny this is simply making itself ridiculous in the eyes of all who know and understand the facts. The last thing he would think of doing, or any story would think of sanctioning, either in British Columbia or elsewhere, would be the abolition of the patronage list.

The Times has already pointed out that greater cities than Victoria do not consider municipal advertising beneath them. A press dispatch says the action of the St. Paul city council in including in the new city budget a large appropriation for city advertising places the saintly city in the lead of American municipalities in recognizing advertising as a progressive agency in city development. St. Paul is one of the first American cities to make direct public appropriations for this purpose, and takes this action after a rigid investigation by a special joint committee composed of representative men from its council, ex-Mayor Robert A. Smith and Joseph Stronge, a leading merchant. The city funds will be expended under the direction of the city's advertising organization, formed a year ago by leading business men, and supported by them for a year. The city and its business men will handle the expenditure of the funds jointly, the business men supplementing the city appropriation by a like amount of money raised among themselves. The city funds will be disbursed by a commission composed of Mayor D. Lawler, President Frank J. Huber of the common council and President Frank Yoerg of the assembly, with whom Comptroller Bots will act. These men have been elected directors of the Consolidated Publicity Bureau and the city money and money raised by the business men will be expended under the direction of this board of directors, the city commission passing upon amounts to be paid by the city. Practically all of the money appropriated by the city will be expended in advertising, for the purpose of building up St. Paul's manufactures, industries and population. Expenses of organization, maintenance and similar disbursements will be paid from the funds raised by the business men.

The Colonist on Sunday celebrated its Jubilee by issuing one of the largest editions ever printed in Canada, if not in the British realm. The work is not only of magnificent proportions, however. It is of great value from whatever point of view it may be regarded. It contains in condensed form the history of Vancouver Island from pioneer days as well as many special features which ought to prove a valuable advertisement for the province. The edition is a credit to all connected with its production, and exemplifies practically the wonderful progress the art of printing and engraving has made in the last fifty years.

The Dutch are taking a mean advantage of President Castro's absence from Venezuela. One of the republic's warships has been seized by Wilhelmina's fleet. The remainder will doubtless be bottled up, and the country in general may be subjected to like treatment until some one in authority acknowledges the justice of Holland's claims. The little war is not likely to prove a sanguinary affair, however. Castro's illness developed at a convenient time. He is reported to have "bottled up" sufficient fine gold to make him independent of the consequences of his high-handed acts.

King Edward has been in indifferent health for a few weeks. The announcement that His Majesty is greatly improved physically will therefore be received with thankfulness throughout his dominions. The King has taken up his gun again. That is a sure sign that he is fully recovered.

No matter what Sir Wilfrid has said about Asiatic exclusion, no matter how effectively or how imperially he has handled a dangerous question, the agitation and misrepresentation will go on while they can influence a single enlightened vote in the interests of unscrupulous politicians.

Christmas shoppers ought to consider the comfort and convenience of employees in stores by making their purchases early, thus avoiding the rush at the last moment. If that is not sufficient inducement, let them consider that the early shopper has the widest choice of goods.

PLAY THE WOMAN.  
(Votes for Women.)

There are many women who are shielding themselves at the present time behind their "temperament." They are not "fighters," they say. The artistic temperament is no excuse for being a coward, though many people seem to think it is. To be a coward now is to be a traitor. Whether you are naturally a fighter or not, it behoves you at this crisis to play the woman.

In the police court to-day is going on the preliminary hearing of the charge of assaulting a Klootchman lad against Jumbo, an Anouset Indian. The prosecution is being conducted by W. C. Moreby, while the accused is defended. Father Brabant is acting as interpreter. The evidence being given is the same as that in the case against Charles ... who was committed for trial.

## To-night's 7.30 Specials

### 7.30 Sale of Women's Coats

\$12.50 to \$20.00 Coats for \$6.75

A quantity of WOMEN'S COATS on sale to-night. These coats are the correct style—that is, the semi-fitting style, made of tweeds and some plain cloths, in different shades and colors. These garments are splendidly tailored, some of our best makes. Regular \$12.50 to \$20 coats, to-night, 7:30 ..... \$6.75

### 7.30 Sale of Pictures To-night

75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 Pictures, 50c

About three hundred to sell, covering all kinds of subjects; some are of the comic variety, others serious, many are reproductions of some of the world's greatest religious pictures; in fact an assortment large and varied enough to please the most particular person. This price would not buy the frames alone. Regular 75c, \$1 and \$1.25 pictures, to-night, 7:30 ..... 50c

### 7.30 To-night Sale of Boys' Books

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### 7.30 Sales on the Third Floor

#### Undressed Dolls

Worth up to \$2.50

Bisque Bodies, all jointed  
TO-NIGHT, 7:30 P. M., \$1.00

#### Kindergarten Sets for Girls

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Worth 50c to \$1.00  
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### Furniture Values From \$6.50 to \$22.50 at \$4.90 to \$16.85 To-night

The first of our Christmas Furniture Sales at 7.30 to-night. We offer a new lot of handsome Music Cabinets, the very latest designs, just to hand for Christmas trade. These cabinets are offered at substantial price concessions. They are particularly suitable for gifts, being new and handsome. The styles are as follows:

Nothing makes a nicer gift than a good Leather Hand Bag. These bags are some of our best lines, made of the best leathers and in every way desirable goods. On sale to-night, 7:30. COMBINATION MUSIC AND BRIC-A-BRAC CABINETS, 7:30 to-night \$16.85 MUSIC CABINETS with mirror in back, 7:30 to-night ..... \$13.75 MUSIC CABINET, with mirror in back, 7:30 to-night ..... \$11.40

## To-morrow Morning Specials

### Holiday Furniture at Special Prices

A gathering together of all Leather Furniture, Easy Chairs, Couches, etc., and marked at special prices for selling to-morrow. These are good furniture gifts for those who naturally want the best value obtainable. We have just unpacked a car of novelty pieces, and besides these we will place on sale all pieces of leather upholstered furniture. Visit the Furniture Store to-morrow morning. It will be worth while.

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MEN'S DRESSING GOWNS and BATH ROBES, made of the best quality of Velour Flannelette in very attractive designs and colorings. It would be hard indeed to over-estimate the comfort and usefulness of one of these garments. Every man should have one. They make a splendid Christmas present, and to-morrow we make it easy for you to buy one. These gowns and bath robes are a special \$3.75

### Children's Dressing Gowns and Bath Robes

DRESSING GOWNS WORTH \$2.25, TO-MORROW, \$1.25 CHILDREN'S DRESSING GOWNS or BATH ROBES, made of heavy Velour Flannelette, in shades of pink, blue and red, in very attractive designs. These gowns are trimmed with cashmere of contrasting colors, and made just like the same garments are for adults. Very nice for Christmas gifts. Reg. \$2.25. Special to-morrow morning at \$1.25

### Dressing Gowns Worth \$3.50, To-morrow, \$2.90

THESE GOWNS are made on the regulation model, being exact copies of the kinds worn by adults, and are finished with girdles. They are made of extra heavy Velour Flannelettes in shades of red, pink and light blue, the designs being very attractive. The sizes range from four years to sixteen years. Certainly an ideal gift for a girl of any age. Reg. \$3.50. Special to-morrow morning at \$2.90

### Jardiniere Stands at \$1.00

A fine lot of JARDINIÈRE STANDS on sale to-morrow morning. A very attractive lot of stands, about forty in the lot. The values range from \$1.50 to \$2.50, and as a Christmas special we will sell them, while they last, to-morrow morning at \$1.00

### Women's Handkerchiefs 12½c

WOMEN'S UNLAUNDERED LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, with initials, made of the best Irish linen, but unlaundered just as they come from the maker. You get the best quality and save a lot on the price by buying them this way. Special for to-morrow morning 2 for 25¢

### Real Lace Handkerchiefs at Half Regular Value

Just think of it. Real Lace Handkerchiefs, just at the time when everybody is buying them, and at half-price. Nearly every woman likes to have real lace handkerchiefs, but most women do not like to have to pay the price for them. They think them luxuries, and while they welcome them as gifts, they think quite a while before buying them themselves. Here's a chance to make your lady friends happy and at half what it would usually cost you. The regular prices of these goods range from \$2.50 to \$35.00. On sale at exactly half-price. Prices start at \$1.25

### Sale Christmas Linen

Every year more linens are bought as gifts. Every year more women are made happy by receiving something in the linen line for Christmas, a Tablecloth or some Napkins, or a set of Tablecloths and Napkins to match. And what could be ne'er! Every woman is proud of her stock of table linens, and nothing that you could buy here would please her half so well as something nice in linens. These are some items that may help you to decide. The sets are particularly good value and handsome goods. LINEN DAMASK TABLE SETS, handsome Damask Table Cloths border all around, 2 x 2½ yards, and one dozen 27 inch Napkins to match. Per set, special ..... \$9.50

DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS, border all round, size 2 x 2½ and 2 x 3 yards, one dozen Napkins to match, per set, special ..... \$11.50 SATIN DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS, border around, size 2 x 2½, one dozen Napkins to match, 27 inch Napkins to match. Per set, special ..... \$22.00

UNBLEACHED BREAKFAST CLOTHS, size 60 x 70 in. Hemmed ready for use. Special ..... 75¢

### Crockery To-night

Values up to 65c for 25c

The announcement of this sale should be most welcome as it provides the opportunity to buy nice inexpensive gifts. Nothing is more desirable or appreciated than china. Some particularly nice articles are included in this offering of Milk Jugs, Dessert Plates, Bread and Butter Plates, Rail Plates, Sauce Boats, Tea Cups and Saucers, Chocolate Cups and Saucers, Cake Plates, Teapot Stands, Card Receivers, and other articles. Values up to 65c. 7:30 to-night ..... 25c

### Wallpaper on Sale To-night

Some very handsome pressed WALL PAPERS in shades of cream, green and two-toned effects. Some of our very handsomest lines that sell regularly at \$3 per roll. 7:30 to-night, per roll ..... \$1.75

### Orchestra Concert To-night EIGHT THIRTY O'CLOCK

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Three hundred copies of the last edition of "The Mystic Spring," the work of D. W. Higgins, have just been received and are now on sale.

The annual meeting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will be held in the city hall on Wednesday next at 8 p. m. The Mayor will preside.

This evening St. Andrew's Presbyterian Young People's Society will hold its monthly social. The programme for this evening is being kept a secret and is called a "surprise social." There will be games and music, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

E. Baxter, inspector of boilers, has returned from Ladysmith and Namaqua where he has been inspecting the Tyee smelter and other steam plants for the past week. Mr. Baxter will leave to-morrow for Duncan, Westholme and other points along the line.

Rev. Dr. MacKay, the principal of Westminster Hall, Vancouver, the theological college of the Presbyterian church in British Columbia, is making an extensive tour of the interior for the purpose of collecting funds for the support and maintenance of this institution.

The regular monthly concert and dance of the St. Andrew's Society will be held to-morrow evening in the A. O. U. W. hall. A good programme has been prepared and Miss Thain's orchestra will supply the music. Following is the programme of dances: Grand March and Circassian Circle, waltz, lancers, two step, Highland schottische, minuet, quadrilles, waltz, Scotch reel, two step, patronella, waltz, lancers, Highland schottische, waltz.

The regular weekly meeting of the Young People's Society of the First Baptist church will be held this evening in the Victoria hall, Blanchard street. The reception of the nominating committees' reports and the election of officers for the ensuing six months will be the chief business. All young people are invited to be present.

**PANTAGES GREAT BILL.**

This week the Management has a list of Star Attractions.

La Loie Helene, the Salome dancer, in the dramatic production "A Vision of Salome," is the feature at Pantage's theatre this week. Georgeous stage settings are used in the act and a full house is expected at every performance.

The management has not, however, confined the entertainment to this feature, but has star attractions in addition to it.

To music-lovers the appearance of the Seven Hawaiians and Francisca Marracel should be delightful. Marracel, the violinist, is said to be equal to many whose names are displayed as world-famed artists at high prices. The Hawaiians produce a class of music peculiar to their native islands. McCune and Grant, the horizontal bar and ground acrobats, who also do singing and dancing acts, are good attractions, giving variety to the entertainment. The illustrated song "Rainbow," and another double set of funny moving pictures on the biograph complete a bill which has never been equalled at this theatre.

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**SEATTLE TEAM PLAYS  
VICTORIA TO A DRAW**

Local Soccer Eleven Out of Running—Seattle Beaten by Ladysmith.

Pacific Coast League.

	P. W. L. D. Pts.
Vancouver .....	6 4 2 9 3
Nanaimo .....	5 3 0 6 6
Ladysmith .....	6 2 3 1 5
Seattle .....	7 2 4 1 5

Victoria representative soccer team with three goals tucked away, had no score registered for their opponents, went to sleep at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon for ten minutes in the last half, and allowed Seattle to come with a surprise and score three splendid goals and make a draw of the game, by which Victoria loses whatever chance she had of gaining the Pacific Coast league championship this year.

The form of the Victorian team during the last half disappointed the supporters who lined the ground. The players were caught napping. Thinking the game was well in hand and already won they got loose, and dawdled to play out time. They were surprised when Hendry, for Seattle, shot past Beaney and recorded the first goal.

The opening of their score put more life into Seattle and they came with a run and began to use the system, which had been noticeable throughout the afternoon, to the utmost advantage, with the result that the Victorian defense was kept working. Pearson, however, put in a speedy shot from the left of the goal, and the ball passed three Victoria men in a row and registered the second goal for Seattle. Victoria rubbed its eyes but the process was slow for Hendry passed the ball out to Adams, who centred where it was contested in front of goal and the latter did the needful, making the score three goals all.

The finish of the game was at a tremendous pace, Victoria attacking. At the call of time Archer, defending goal for Seattle, was about the busiest man on the ground. It was anybody's game till the whistle blew.

The first half of the game Victoria held Seattle down any way they wanted, scoring two goals to nil without exertion. Tait, who played outside right in place of O'Keel, getting both.

At the commencement of the second half, shooting into the mud puddle at the grandstand end, Buxton put the ball into the net before Seattle had opened the score.

For Victoria Buxton and Thomas played fine combination on the forward line and the other players were bright in the first half, but in the second the back lines went down. Elton and Pettet, however, played good soccer, but the inertia of the team in the second half for a few moments, lost them the game. With three goals in their favor and the visitors loosing ground at every moment, lulled the local team into a false security in which the spectators shared. The players got careless making half-hearted attempts, and this lost them their chance in the Pacific coast premiership this year. The teams follow:

Seattle .....	Victoria
Archer .....	Goal: Beaney
Boyle .....	Backs: Lorimer
Hendry .....	Dunn
Stewart .....	Halves: Prevost
Martin .....	Elton
Upton .....	Pettet
McDonald .....	Forwards: Tait
Adams .....	Sheritt
Stalker .....	Sedger
Cornthwaite .....	Thomas
Seattle Beaten at Ladysmith.	Buxton

**WINTERTON TO BRING**
**POLO TEAM TO CANADA**

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—The Earl of Winterton has written the secretary of the Winnipeg Polo club that he will bring out a British team next year. The ponies will be shipped direct from England to Winnipeg, where a series of games will be played. After the Winnipeg series the team will likely visit various Alberta towns having polo teams, and from there will go to British Columbia, returning through the States, where games will also be played.

Earl Winterton has the distinction of being the youngest member of the British House of parliament, being barely 22 years of age. He is now off to South Africa to hunt big game—he says he understands there will be something doing on that continent next spring as far as big game is concerned.

The cities of Europe having the highest death rate are Stockholm, Christiansburg and London.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Merlin Sheppard won the 300-metre handicap race here on Saturday night from C. J. Bacon, also of the Irish-American Athletic Club, of New York. Bacon had a handicap of ten yards. Sheppard won in a sprint in 2:00 3-5.

Harry E. Porter, the world's champion running high jumper, won his

**HIGH SCHOOL BEATEN  
IN BASKETBALL GAME**
**Vancouver Five Captures Third  
Thompson Cup  
for Year.**

Vancouver High school basketball team completed the Thompson cup games Saturday night by winning the basketball cup at the Assembly rink, by one point. The score was at the close of the game, Vancouver 15, Victoria 14, and the three Thompson cups all go to Vancouver.

The narrow margin in the score of the basketball game might have been overtaken and passed by the local boys, had they been able to shoot for goal. In the final half they had two free shots for goal and lamentably fell down on both.

The winners scored fifteen points in the first half of the game to the local school's seven. After the change the Victoria boys held the visitors down and commenced to overhaul their lead point by point, till the excitement became intense, and the scores were within a point of one another. The failure to score from the free shots, however, finished Victoria's chance of retaining one of the Thompson cups. John Donaldson refereed the game. The teams were:

Vancouver H. C. Guards, Tremback and Anderson; centre, Smith (L); forwards, Smith (C) and Baldwin.

Victoria H. C. Guards, Shopland and Pike; centre, Johnson; forwards, Spencer and Williscroft.

**WALLABIES CHANT  
WEIRD FOOTBALL CRY**

Once again a strange war-cry is being chanted in England. It is that of the "Wallabies," and is, as per sample, thus: "Win nang a lan. Win nang a lan. Win nang a lan-nau. Mu i, an yilang. Bu rang a lan. Bu rang a lan. But rang a lan-yang!"

Fearful as it looks, it sounds a good deal worse, while the gestures that accompany its delivery are terrifying; but the meaning is all right. The whole slogan, which is in the weird language used by the aborigines of Australia, may be translated: "We are pleased to meet you. May the best win; but we'll beat you if we can."

The Maori cries are even more appalling than those raised by Canadian spectators, for though the men of the Dominion rarely split the heavens, they vary their din by chanting their admiration of a favorite player, as "Jones! Jones! We-like-Jones!"

One of the first colonial teams to use a native war-cry in England was that composed of Maoris, which some years back toured with much success in Great Britain. Before each match they massed, and exclaimed in ringing tones: "Ake! Ake! Kia! Kaka!" this was said to mean, "Be strong!"

The "All Blacks" also brought a war cry, which astonished spectators as much as their brilliant play. Here is the English version:

Leader: It is death! It is death!

Chorus: It is life! It is life!

This is the strong one, the man of the brawny tribe,

Who has come to us to cause the sun to shine.

Hurrah! Hurrah!

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The Maori chant was a prelude to every match, and was never omitted or allowed to be broken off. When the New Zealanders played Blackheath, the referee blew his whistle for the start while the visitors were greeting their opponents; but the strange cry went on to the end without a break. In the North of England, too, some unmanly spectators burst into the local slogan before the Maori chant was finished. Again, however, the visitors were unrefined.

By far the most thrilling of British football slogans are those of the Welsh, who occasionally sing patriotic songs before beginning a match. The most remarkable instance was at Cardiff, when Wales defeated the "All Blacks," who had till then carried everything before them. After the New Zealanders had chanted their war-song the Welsh team sang "Land of our Fathers," and the vast assembly of forty thousand took up the strain:

"The land of my fathers! The land of the free!"

The fervor, the unison and the volume of sound electrified the New Zealanders.

A SEA WONDER.

Captain A. G. Olsen, the other officers of the ship, and twelve passengers join in a sworn statement that on June 24th, in the Gulf of Mexico, out of Galveston, a sea serpent 300 feet long was seen resting on the water not more than 80 feet from the vessel. It was dark brown in color, as large around as a flour barrel, and had a head six feet long and three feet wide. Most terrifying of all the particulars is the description of the rattle with which the serpent's tail is adorned, and which made a noise like the discharge of a Gatling gun when the sea wonder finally swam away.

Wales beat the amateur Australian Rugby team by 9 points to 6.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

LOCAL SQUAD PRACTICE.

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**LONDON COMMENT ON  
DORANDO'S VICTORY**
**No Doubt as to Superiority of  
Winner—"Hero of Two  
Continents."**

The following editorial comments on the victory of Dorando over J. J. Hayes at Madison Square Garden, New York, in the recent Marathon race, appear in the London press:

Daily News: Since the arrival of Christopher Columbus no Italian has figured so prominently in the history of the United States as Dorando Pietri. The great struggle on the covered track at Madison Square Garden, run in an atmosphere densely charged with tobacco smoke, and vibrating to the yell of thousands of Italo-Americans and thousands of the partisans of Hayes, has ended in a decisive victory for the European. Dorando won by 100 yards the long race of 26 miles—a close finish for such a contest—after two hours and a half of persistent effort. During which neither man was able to shake off his adversary for a moment. So, in other surroundings, was fought to a finish the struggle that was cut short by the fiasco of the Stadium in London. The race was admirably managed, and no doubt remains as to the superiority of the victor. Such achievements as Dorando's are not to be treated lightly. Long-distance running is, in any circumstances, largely a matter of character; and this is the case of a small tradesman from an unknown town whose sheer confidence in his own powers has made him the talk of two continents. Such emergencies as that of Dorando serve to remind us of the roughness of our generalizations. Those that are "good at home" it is because they do not desire that label. The country is full of humanity at touch and enduring as the little man of Carp, whom some quality of singularly turned from thoughts of confectionery to thoughts of athleticism; soldiers know that no army in the world can march against the Italians. Such incidents as this of the Madison Square Garden give a direction to the opinion of people. An Italian, in American eyes, will not seem the same after an Italian's victory over the champion of the United States.

Pal Mail Gazette: Dorando has come to his own by winning the American Marathon, and his triumph over Hayes in Madison Square last night makes all amends for his memorable disappointment at Shepherd's Bush. All events have turned out, those officious friends who helped the Italian to break the tape and dislodge himself last summer were building better than they knew. Had Dorando gained a commonplace victory here, he might have been "to dull forgetfulness a prey" long before now. As it is, he became the hero of a dramatic hardship and the idol of public sympathy, and to crown all he has, finally, proved himself the better man. We only hope that the athletic properties of Chianti, which have gained so telling a vindication, will not become the subject of too unscrupulous a cult; it may be helpful to "go the pace," but not always upon the Stadium.

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**SINGING WHEN FACE TO  
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Students of human nature will find in the spectacle of the crew of the Gladiator going to their deaths with a song on their lips another proof of the fact that singing is the best outlet for human emotions in the time of great stress and fear. Here were over a hundred men face to face with death, laid low within a hundred and fifty yards of them, and they might have been excused had they broken ranks and dived into the sea. Instead of that, however, they stood shoulder to shoulder, singing the well known song, "Sons of the Sea."

Of course the reason why human beings sing at such a moment as this is because it steadies the brain and prevents dangerous thinking. Many a time a song has saved hundreds of lives when nothing else could have done anything.

The Gladiator incident recalls in some features the great disaster of 1852, when the troopship Birkenhead founded in Simon's Bay, near Cape Town, says London Chat. There were 638 persons on board, including the crew, several detachments of soldiers and women and children. Although it was quickly seen that the vast majority of those on board must perish, there was never the slightest approach to panic. At a word from their officers the troops assembled on deck as if on parade, and when the command was given to lower the boats for the women and children, the soldiers sang

"God Save the Queen."

not with the object of staying their own fears, but merely to cheer up the passengers as they descended into the boats.

Probably the world has never witnessed a more heroic episode than this—the passing of more than 400 heroes to a grave in the sea. Shortly after the boat got away from the doomed ship she sank, and out of a total of 638 lives only 187 were saved. England may well be proud when she can produce such men as these. They made the annals of their country richer by a story of almost superhuman courage.

A few years later discipline of the Birkenhead type saved over 300 lives, says the Providence Journal. The ship was the Sarah Sands, and she set sail from Portsmouth with 300 soldiers and a large crew. Suddenly the cargo part of which was ammunition, took fire, and it seemed impossible to overcome it. The officers, however, resolved to fight the flames, and there was no attempt to desert the ship. The troops were assembled on deck, and from time to time detachments were called upon to help in the work.

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### LOCAL WIRELESS STATION IN TOUCH WITH SITKA

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Conditions.

(Special to the Times.)  
Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 14.—Eluding the watch off shore and of the tugboat fleet of Cape Flattery, the German barque Magdalene, Captain Trinn, arrived at Port Angeles after being in a dangerous position under the rocky shores of Vancouver Island for three days. The barque was believed to have been stranded on Vancouver Island. Mariners commend highly the seamanship of the captain.

The ship was for three days reported in a dangerous position after being sighted by the observer at Tatoosh Island, and great anxiety has been felt as to her safety.

Messages transmitted from Victoria to the Alaskan coast have necessarily to pass over Vancouver Island and are therefore subjected to the interruptions which high land is usually supposed to exercise on wireless communication.

Moreover, it is supposed that the same messages would pass over the Queen Charlotte Islands, that is, presuming that they would go in a straight air line after leaving here.

Superintendent Haughton, of Gonzales Hill, explains the unusual communication on Saturday night as due to air conditions, but the exact nature of these it is impossible to tell. When the more powerful battery of 5 kilowatt is installed at Gonzales Hill it is probable that at night times it will have a radius of fully 2,000 miles and will likely be in communication with Honolulu.

### DOLAURA BRINGS HOME PARTY OF HUNTERS

Hon. James Dunsmuir and  
Friends Have Very Good  
Sport.

The steam yacht Dolaura, carrying the Lieutenant-Governor and party home from a hunting trip, arrived in port on Saturday. The party which included Hon. James Dunsmuir, Major Audain, Sir Maurice Bromley Wilson, Commander Bromley, R. N., and W. F. Burton, had some splendid sport, shooting ducks and geese in the inlets opposite the north end of the Island, Hardy Bay being the most northerly point visited. The bag consisted of 230 ducks and geese.

The new yacht behaved splendidly, and showed herself admirably adapted for such occasions as this. The party stopped at Cox Bay for coal both going and coming.

When in Knight's Inlet the hunters encountered ice and a boat party on one occasion had an unpleasant experience as a result. Going to shore a passage was cut through the ice, but upon their return it was found that the ice was too heavy to permit of rowing through it. They had the troublesome task to perform of cutting their way through this, a tiresome work.

### ADRIFT ON SCOW IN TERRIFIC STORM

Launch Forced to Cut Loose  
and Seek Aid in Port  
Townsend.

Port Townsend, Dec. 14.—After clinging to a scow all through the terrific storm of Friday night three men were rescued by the tug Wanderer on Saturday and brought to Port Townsend so exhausted that it was two days before they will recover their strength.

The men on the scow were being towed past Marrowstone Point by the gasoline launch Swastika when the storm became so terrific that it was unable to make any progress with the tow. An effort was made to get the three men on the scow on board the launch, but this was impossible in the high seas.

The scow was then cut loose, leaving the scow with its load adrift at the mercy of the waves. The launch had to return to Port Townsend for aid and the Wanderer was dispatched immediately, picking up the scow early this morning with the three men clinging on the flat surface for their lives.

### NOT WANTED HERE.

Two Immigrants Returned to Their Native Lands by Local Officials.

The immigration department had two cases of deportation last week. One of these, a Japanese who was insane, was sent home on the Tangu Maru; the other was a white woman, an American citizen. The latter was doing time in the provincial jail for stealing. It will be remembered that some time ago a man and woman who were arrested and convicted of stealing were anxious for Jaller Allen to marry them in the jail. This is the woman who has just been returned to the United States on the steamer Whatcom. The name she gave was Bertha Holloway.

### CHARTER EXPIRES.

Steamer Leebro No Longer in Employ of Dominion Government.

Steamer Leebro has finished her work for the Dominion government, she having been chartered from Leeming Bros. for a term of six months. She has been engaged in buoy work, and has proved a very useful craft for that purpose. It is thought that the steamer Quidies will be able to handle the work for some time.

### BARQUE MAGDALENE HAD TRYING TIME

Dangerously Near Coast of  
Vancouver Island for  
Three Days.

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 14.—Eluding the watch off shore and of the tugboat fleet of Cape Flattery, the German barque Magdalene, Captain Trinn, arrived at Port Angeles after being in a dangerous position under the rocky shores of Vancouver Island for three days. The barque was believed to have been stranded on Vancouver Island. Mariners commend highly the seamanship of the captain.

The ship was for three days reported in a dangerous position after being sighted by the observer at Tatoosh Island, and great anxiety has been felt as to her safety.

### NEW JAPANESE LINER MAY CALL HERE

Fast Ship, First of Volunteer  
Fleet, Leased for  
Route.

The first of the Japanese volunteer fleet, the Sakura Maru, which took part in the recent naval review at Kobe, in which 110 warships were engaged, will probably come here next summer in the new steamship service to be established in August by the Osaka Shosen Kaiishi, in connection with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad. The Sakura Maru was built by the Japanese Volunteer Association to be used as a merchant vessel in peace time and as a military cruiser in war time. She will be the fastest of the trans-Pacific liners, having a speed of 21 knots, and can develop 34 knots. She has been chartered by the Osaka Shosen Kaiishi by the Japanese government on condition that her cost be repaid to the Marine Association which built her in 1895.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a re-  
laxation of license to sell intoxicating  
liquor on the premises known as the  
Mayne Island Hotel situated at Mayne,  
S. C. C. J. McDonald, L.

Mayne, B. C., 21st November, 1900.

GUARANTEE OF DEPOSITS.

There may be many objections to be  
urged against the guaranty bank de-  
posits, but the following, taken from an  
address at the recent bankers' conven-  
tion at Denver, does not appear to be  
one of them:

If this guaranty of bank deposits be-  
came general, why do we want \$3,500,-  
\$6,000 capital, surplus and undivided  
profits? Under the proposed theory,  
a bank with a capital of \$50,000 would  
be as good as one with \$1,000,000 capital,  
\$2,000,000 surplus and \$500,000 undivided  
profits. Why have any surplus to wear-  
the storm? We all guarantee one  
another. We pay small dividends to our  
stockholders and build up large  
surplus and undivided profits?

A good reason for building up surplus  
and profits; even if deposits were insur-  
ed, would be this: should a bank fail,  
and its assets be insufficient to pay de-  
positors, stockholders would have to make  
up the deficit, being liable to an  
assessment equal to the par value of  
shares held by them. Manifestly, the  
surplus tends to protect the sharehold-  
ers from such an assessment, and the  
owners of a bank would have the same  
incentive-self-protection-to build up  
a surplus fund under deposit insurance  
as they have now.—Bankers' Magazine.

WAGES AND PRICES IN JAPAN.

In his report on the trade of the  
Yokohama district in 1907 Acting Vice-  
Consul Harrington points out that the  
average rate of wages in his district  
continues to advance, so much so that  
for 38 classes of workmen the average  
wages have increased since 1902 by  
16.5 per cent. in 1906 and 41.6 per  
cent. in 1907. Of course, he proceeds  
to point out, these rates must not be  
judged by British standards, as the  
standard of life among the Japanese  
is still very low. Yet this standard is  
constantly advancing, and wages are  
therefore likely to increase still fur-  
ther.

This process, moreover, is being as-  
sisted by the rise of the cost of living  
in general. In comparison with 1902  
17 ordinary articles of food, clothing,  
etc., show an increase of prices equal  
to 21 per cent. in 1906 and 41.6 per  
cent. in 1907. Most of these articles  
are of Japanese production, and the  
price of imported articles, owing to  
the heavy import duties, has increased to  
an even greater degree.—London  
Daily News.

There will be an interesting meet-  
ing in the Epworth league room of the  
Metropolitan Methodist church this  
evening. A debate will take up the  
greater part of the evening on the sub-  
ject "Resolved, that it is just to the  
city and to the best interests of  
the city that the B. C. Electric Rail-  
way retain their franchise." Those  
who are taking the affirmative are  
Messrs. Charlton, Thompson and Riche-  
lie, and the negative, Messrs. Harris-  
son, Williams and McGregor. All are  
cordially invited to attend.

## In the World of Finance and Trade

Local Markets—Stock Quotations From New York, Chicago  
and London—Doings in Mining Centres

### The Local Markets

The retail prices are as follows:

Oils—  
Pratt's Coal Oil ..... 1.65  
Eggnog ..... 1.75

Meat—  
Hams (B. C.), per lb. ..... 25  
Bacon (B. C.), per lb. ..... 25  
Hams (American), per lb. ..... 25  
Bacon (American), per lb. ..... 25  
Bacon (rolled), per lb. ..... 25  
Shoulders, per lb. ..... 25  
Bacon (long clear), per lb. ..... 25  
Beef, per lb. ..... 100  
Pork, per lb. ..... 125  
Mutton, per lb. ..... 125  
Lamb, hindquarter ..... 125  
Lamb, forequarter ..... 125  
Veal, per lb. ..... 125  
Suet, per lb. ..... 15

Farm Produce—

Fresh Island Eggs ..... 60  
Eastern Eggs ..... 65

Best Dairy Butter ..... 30  
Butter (Creamery) ..... 30

Lard, per lb. ..... 25

Western Canada Flour ..... 2.00

Pastry, per sack ..... 2.00

Furity, per bbl. ..... 7.75

Three Star Patent, per sack. ..... 1.50

Three Star Patent, per bbl. ..... 7.15

Hungarian Flour—

Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack ..... 2.00

Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl. ..... 2.75

Laurel Woods, per sack ..... 2.00

Lake of Woods, per bbl. ..... 2.75

Okanagan, per sack ..... 2.00

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Calgary Hungarian, per sack ..... 1.75

Calgary Hungarian, per bbl. ..... 4.25

Moose Jaw, per sack ..... 1.75

Moose Jaw, per bbl. ..... 7.00

Excisor, per sack ..... 2.00

Excisor, per bbl. ..... 7.75

One Lake, per sack ..... 2.00

One Lake, per bbl. ..... 2.75

Hudson's Bay, per sack ..... 2.00

Hudson's Bay, per bbl. ..... 7.75

Enderby, per sack ..... 2.00

Enderby, per bbl. ..... 7.75

Pastry Flours—

Snowflake, per sack ..... 1.70

Snowflake, per bbl. ..... 6.75

O. K. Best Pastry, per sack ..... 1.20

O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl. ..... 6.75

O. K. Four Star, per sack ..... 1.75

O. K. Four Star, per bbl. ..... 6.50

Dried Snow, per sack ..... 1.70

Dried Snow, per bbl. ..... 6.50

Cracked Snow, per sack ..... 1.70

Cracked Snow, per bbl. ..... 6.50

Grain—

Wheat, per ton ..... 40.00-45.00

Wheat, per bbl. ..... 2.00

Oats, per ton ..... 32.00-35.00

Barley ..... 35.00

Whole Oats ..... 45.00

Cracked Oats (B. & K.), 1-lb. size ..... 2.00

Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 22-lb. size ..... 2.25

Flour, per ton ..... 2.25

Flour, per bbl. ..... 2.25

Excisor, per ton ..... 2.25

Excisor, per bbl. ..... 2.25

Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack ..... 2.25

Oatmeal, 50-lb. sack ..... 2.25

Roasted Wheat, 10 lbs. ..... 2.25

Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs. ..... 2.25

Wheat Flakes, per packet ..... 2.25

Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs. ..... 2.25

Graham Flour, 10 lbs. ..... 2.25

Graham Flour, 50 lbs. ..... 2.25

Feed Hay, per ton ..... 15.00-18.00

Straw, per bale ..... 2.25

Mangold, per ton ..... 2.25

Bran, per ton ..... 2.25

Shorts, per ton ..... 2.25

Poultry—

Dressed Fowl, per lb. ..... 2.25-3.00

Ducks, per lb. ..... 2.25

Geese (Island), per lb. ..... 2.25

Turkey, per lb. ..... 2.25

Garden Produce—

Cabbage, per lb. ..... 2.25

on the ground that the act conferring  
the university franchise did not con-  
template women being admitted to de-  
grees.

The women of St. Andrew's scorned  
to engage any mere advocate, and  
sent Miss Chrystal MacMillan, one of  
their number, to plead their case at  
the bar of the Upper House.

The Lord Chancellor presided, and  
with him as judges were Lord Ash-  
bourne, Lord Robertson and Lord Col-  
lins. When the case was called and  
Miss MacMillan, a smiling "soo-  
 Scottish lassie, rose and bowed to the  
court, a look of alarm passed over  
the faces of the law lords. For it is  
a matter of record that in 1859 a  
woman appeared before the House to  
plead her cause and spoke for twenty-  
three days. But Miss MacMillan de-  
 nied any intention of following that  
strenuous example.

There was nothing of the virago or  
the platform woman about her appear-  
ance, nor in her utterance either. With  
a slight Scottish accent she pleaded  
the cause of the women graduates with  
quiet dignity and evident sim-  
plicity of feeling, which had its effect  
at once upon the law lords. This  
young woman, they saw, meant busi-  
ness. They settled down to listen at-  
tentively to her arguments.

For the most part she confined her-  
self to the strictly legal bearings of  
the case. She quoted judgments with  
a learned air, she gave the lord chan-  
cellor references to the law reports in  
the manner of an old practitioner,  
thoroughly familiar with sections and  
sub-sections, and all the precedents and  
decisions governing the law on the  
subject of graduates' votes. But there  
were moments when she broke into a  
more human line of argument. "Are  
not women persons?" she asked indi-  
gently, replying to the registrar's con-  
tention that they did not come within  
the wording of the act. "What are we,  
then?"

This unfortunate registrar came in  
for much scorn and contumely. He  
was who stood between the women  
graduates of St. Andrew's and their  
parliamentary votes. Further, he ag-  
gravated this offence by refusing to  
allow them to appeal to the university  
court.

After listening to argument during  
two days' sessions, the lord chancellor  
signified that he had heard sufficient  
and said he would deliver judgment later.

The women graduates made their way  
into the House of Lords. There they  
were received by the Lord Chancellor  
and the other members of the court.

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### PROVINCIAL ROYAL JUBILEE HOSPITAL

In Aid of the Funds of the Society, the patronage of the public is very car-

nately solicited for this event.

### PATRONS: His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Dunsuirn, His Worship the Mayor and Mrs. Lewis Hall, the Hon. and Mrs. McBratney, Mr. Holmes, Dr. O. C. and Mrs. Hobson, and Officers of Esquimalt Garrison, Capt. Parry, R.N., and Mrs. Parry, and Officers, H.M. Navy, Lieut.-Col. Hall and Mrs. Hall, and Officers of the Fifth Regiment.

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## SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. A. Blyth, of Vancouver, is a visitor in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nelson have returned from their honeymoon trip.

Mr. and Mrs. George Murphy have returned from the Harrison Hot Springs.

Mrs. Harry Briggs, of this city, is singing at the Ladies' Musical Society concert this week.

J. G. Brown and R. C. Morrison, both of this city, are to take part in the Burn's anniversary concert at Kamloops on January 23rd. The concert is given under the auspices of the Caledonian and St. Andrew's Society of that place.

The members of St. Mary's Sodality are preparing for a grand sale of work next Saturday in Institute hall. The proceeds are to go to furnishing a room in the new wing of St. Joseph's hospital in memory of the late Sister Mary Loretta. The fancy work booth will be in charge of Miss Kitty O'Keefe, Miss Alice Mellon, Miss Kate Tracey and Miss Rose Oliver; the candy booth will be looked after as Miss Glenn Switzer, and Miss Helen Hickey, while the serving of refreshments will be in the hands of Miss Lucy Gray, Miss Nellie Gray, Miss Mary Baylis, Miss Gladys Cruckshank and Miss Rita McDonald.

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged by the management of the Aged Women's Home for the month of November: Mrs. Rogers, 1 chickens; Mrs. W. R. Higgins, scones and brown bread; Mrs. Wilmar, magazines; Mrs. Wilson, Figuard street, fresh eggs; Mrs. McArthur, tea; Mrs. Payne, knitted jacket and shawl; Mrs. Devereaux, Bay street, shawls and cape; Miss Lyle Whelan, magazines; Christ Church ladies, meat, cheese, biscuits, etc.; Westholme, Cameron, and boards; Congregational church, bread, butter, cakes and pies; W. C. T. U. cakes; Mrs. McAv

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IDENTITY OF AUTHOR  
OF "HOCH DER KAISER"

Montreal Newspaper Responsible for Clever Verses Which Caused Furore.

Since the death of Rear-Admiral Charles Coghlan, of "Hoch der Kaiser" fame, the newspapers of the country have been forced by the flood of inquiries pouring from their offices to reproduce the clever poem which bid fair at the time, to disturb the international entente cordiale. It was done in hundreds of cities where the papers had access to the original poem, but few indeed were those who published, or even knew who the author of the verses was. There has been as keen interest in the identity of the supposedly anonymous poet as there was when the "Broadwinners," the name is novel of twenty years ago, first appeared.

The poem was written under peculiar circumstances in Montreal in October, 1897. The poem as it was in the original consisted of thirteen verses, not eight, as published throughout the world during the last few years. The occasion upon which the poem was written was the Emperor William's speech upon the "Divine Right of Kings" and his own special mission on earth. At that time A. M. R. Gordon, a Scotchman by birth, and whose real name was A. McGregor Rose, was a member of the Montreal Herald staff. He had been in the habit of writing verses upon different subjects, and was looked upon as a very bright fellow, indeed, the city editor, turning to him, said:

"Give us a poem, Gordon, on the Emperor."

In less than an hour's time he turned out thirteen verses, which were entitled by him "Kaiser & Co." not "Hoch der Kaiser." The matter was sent up to the printer just as it was written, and by some mistake the foreman of the composing room picked up only eight of the verses in type, leaving the remaining five on the galley. The paper went to press and Gordon, who was very particular about his matter being strictly correct, got one of the first copies off the press. He at once saw the mistake and the form was re-cast, not, however, before a few hundred had been sent to the mailing room for the foreign mails. Thus the fact that only eight verses were copied in the papers which printed the poem at the time. In the second edition it was given in full and signed A. M. R. Gordon.

Two or three years later Gordon's mind commenced to fail, and he was taken by a few of his newspaper friends to Notre Dame hospital. For weeks he lay as helpless as a child and unable to recognize any one. Finally he passed away and was buried by those who had enjoyed his society. After this, some inquiries were made as to who he was, and it was found that he came originally from Scotland, after having quarreled with his wife. He worked for a short time on the New York Herald, and afterward drifted all over the country, spending several years in San Francisco. He later drifted to Montreal and remained there until he died.

"Hoch der Kaiser" gave him international fame, but so far as is known it is the only one of his writings that has been given permanence in literature. Several editions of the poem were gotten out and hundreds of thousands of copies of it were sold, both here and abroad.

**News From Four Corners of B. C.**

## Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

## PROGRESS ON G. T. P.

## IS SATISFACTORY

Chief Engineer of Mountain Division Completes Tour of Inspection.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 11.—After finishing a tour of inspection of the construction work done so far on the Grand Trunk Pacific between Prince Rupert and Copper River, in which they practically covered on foot every mile of the first hundred mile contract, C. C. Van Arsdol, chief engineer of the mountain division, J. W. Stewart of Foley, Welch & Stewart, contractors, and J. B. L. MacDonald, the firm's superintendent, arrived here last night on the launch Telkwa, which met them at Hole-in-the-Wall, the tidewater limit, and brought them to the city.

On the trip up every camp was visited, and although a shortage of men was found at several of the camps, the general progress made is reported to be very satisfactory. The party came down to tidewater in canoes as the cold weather in the interior has made the water in the Skeena so low that no boats can now navigate higher up than Hole-in-the-Wall.

All traffic on the river is now suspended, except in canoes, which is extremely dangerous, owing to the large amount of ice that is now running, and the Skeena is expected to freeze over within a few days. Fresh meat is "poled" upstream in canoes which draw but few inches of water, and when the ice forms the contractors will be supplied with fresh beef hauled to their camps by Contractor Morrison's dog teams.

TWO GOLD BRICKS  
FROM MINE AT SALMO

Week's Output From Southeastern B. C. Is Well Up to General Average.

Nelson, Dec. 12.—Two gold bricks were brought into Nelson from the Queen mine at Salmo, weighing 46 lbs. 2 oz., and valued at \$10,700.

Cheering news comes from Rossland, showing that the camp is regaining its old time activity, with a steadily increasing pay-roll. A car of ore shipped from the Bluebird during the week realized \$2,400 for the lessees of the mine.

The roasting plant of the Bluebird mine at Ainsworth has been completed.

The week's output for southeastern British Columbia has come up to the week were 23,054; for the year to date, 137,041 tons.

Rossland shipments for the week, 6,700 tons; for the year 232,549 tons.

Slocan and Kootenay shipments for the week, 8,477 tons; for the year, 128,424 tons.

Total production for the week, 49,231 tons, and for the year, 1,751,418 tons.

The total receipts at the smelters during the week were 40,167 tons, and for the year, 1,760,305 tons.

DROWNING OF J. T. MORTIMER:  
Meets Death in Red River at Pembina While Crossing Ice.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Local Socialists have received further details of the drowning of their former leader in this city, J. T. Mortimer, who was twice a candidate for parliament on the Socialist platform in Vancouver.

Mr. Mortimer was drowned in the Red River near Pembina, Man., on Thursday, November 26th. He was only about 24 years of age, and was of British parentage, having been born in Scotland, though his parents removed to Canada while he was still quite young. He was in the tailoring business in Vancouver for a few years and then removed to Winnipeg, later taking up his home in St. Vincent, Minn. The details of his tragic and untimely end are given as follows:

Leaving his home at St. Vincent, on the east side of the river, at 8 o'clock in the evening, Mr. Mortimer attempted to cross the river on the ice to Pembina where he intended to take a train for Winnipeg. Not returning home on the Saturday following as expected, a telegram message from his wife to friends in Winnipeg disclosed the fact that he had not reached that city. Search being made it was discovered that he had broken through the ice on his way across the river and drowned. In spite of most strenuous efforts upon the part of all concerned the body had not yet been recovered.

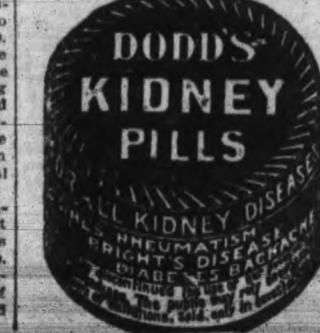
A couple of Italians working in Norway have invented a device which will make it impossible to "tap" wireless messages.

## NELSON MAYORALTY CANDIDATE

Nelson, Dec. 12.—Three candidates are in the field for the mayoralty: Harold Selous, ex-alderman; Alderman Captain D. C. McMorris, and ex-Mayor W. G. Gillett.

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FIRE AT VANCOUVER  
CAUSES \$50,000 LOSS

## HOPEFUL OF SOLVING

## HINDU PROBLEM

Damage Result of Smoke and Water—Practically Covered by Insurance.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—At an early hour this morning fire broke out in the building occupied jointly by the Australasian Club and F. J. Schofield, on Cordova street west, and the contents of the building, including a stock of goods in F. J. Schofield's store worth in the neighborhood of \$45,000, and the fittings and furnishings of the club, valued at about \$3,000, were entirely destroyed. The fire was one that might very easily have been the most serious ever known in the city, as the building is situated between the new Spencer block and the handsome structure occupied by the Terminal City Club and Clarke & Stuart's wholesale

It is not known how the fire broke out, but at about 20 minutes past 1 o'clock an alarm was turned in.

In the club where the fire started, the whole furnishing of the place was swimming in pools of blackened water, the windows broken, and the firemen thundering water into the wrecked rooms through the thick, choking smoke. Owners and tenants of buildings in the immediate vicinity became alarmed even after the brigade, No. 6, had been at work for some time, for it looked very dangerous, so heavy was the smoke. The fire was unique in that the damage was not caused by flames but by the smoke and the water thrown in by the hose.

It is understood that the loss is practically covered by insurance, in both places.

## DUNCAN TO HAVE

## BOARD OF TRADE

Committee Is Appointed to Arrange Preliminary Details.

## CREAMERY ASSOCIATION.

Officers Are Elected at Annual Meeting at Duncan.

Duncan, Dec. 12.—At the annual meeting of the Creamery Association officers were appointed for the ensuing year as follows:

President, G. T. Corfield; vice-president, J. N. Evans; directors, Wm. Bassett, David Alexander, F. A. Jackson, Wm. Herd and C. T. Gibbons.

W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., who was present, spoke on the subject of the creamery gathering eggs from farmers on the same principle as the butter business is conducted. It was pointed out how successfully a similar scheme had been worked in Denmark and other places, and there is no doubt it would give a stimulus to the egg business in Cowichan, giving us a more stable market and better prices.

It was left to the directors to ascertain more particulars and to call a special meeting later to consider this question as well as that very important one of the purchase of feed for the patrons.

## ADJUSTING FREIGHT RATES.

Conference Between C. P. R. Official and Nelson Merchants Wholly Satisfactory.

Nelson, Dec. 12.—W. B. Lanigan, C. P. R. general freight agent at Winnipeg, held a four-hour conference with the president of the board of trade and the committee representing local merchants this afternoon, on the reduction and adjustment of freight rates on goods coming in and going out of Nelson and territory. The conference was private, but it is announced to-night that a wholly satisfactory settlement was arrived at, and that the new schedule, when approved at headquarters, will be put in force at once.

It will mean the saving of many thousands of dollars to merchants and consumers.

## BIG CHEQUE FOR VANCOUVER.

City Receives \$2,720 From B. C. Electric as Percentage of Earnings for Month.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—A cheque for \$2,720 was handed in to the city treasurer yesterday by the B. C. Electric Railway Company, in payment of the city's monthly percentage of the company's earnings for November. The cheque for November last year was \$1,650.42. The amount received from the company for the present year to date is \$20,276.66, already exceeding the civic estimate of \$20,000 for the year.

For the same eleven months last year, the amount received was \$14,322.51, so that these returns show a very gratifying increase in the amount of business done by the company during the year.

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## PARTY MAROONED

## ON WINDY ARM

## Forced Ashore While Trying to Cross Lake in Small Boat.

Squamish, Dec. 12.—On Thursday J. M. Ruffner, with his wife, five white men and four Japanese left Atlin in a small boat to cross Lake Atlin on their way to Caribou and the outside. They had only three days' provisions. Ruffner wired for a team to meet the party at Squamish point, twenty-two miles out from Caribou. The team started with three days' provisions, and waited until the provisions were exhausted, and returned to Caribou and secured more.

They then went back to the meeting point. Navigation on Lake Atlin closed six weeks ago, but with the shore ice extending far out it is still partially open for small boats.

A searching party was being organized when a member of the Ruffner party arrived at Caribou and reported the party marooned at a point called Golden Gate. A storm compelled the party to go ashore at the end of Windy arm.

They are reported well and awaiting the strengthening of the ice on the lake. Relief is being sent them, as they are out of provisions.

Ruffner is manager of the Columbia Gold Mining Company, operating on North Pine creek, one of the largest hydraulic propositions in the north.

## NORTHCOTE LEAVES NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 14.—Lord Northcote, the retiring governor-general of Australia, left for England on the steamer Arabic.

## LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN.

Tourist Claims Damage Because of Pitch Darkness in Spitsbergen.

Allured by advertisements, a Frenchman, fond of travelling, paid \$100 to join a personally-conducted party to Norway and Spitsbergen, to see the midnight sun.

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\$20,000,000 for destructive work alone. All this work of tearing down, and obliterating valuable property might well be avoided if a little wisdom and foresight had been displayed in the first place and a

Rational Town Plan adopted with adequate park space reserved. Usually, it is the parts of a town that are least suited for building purposes, that are at once the parts that are most picturesque and the most unique from a scenic standpoint. If the gridiron system of rectangular streets is adopted throughout, then they must be carried out at any cost of grades, or hills, or hideousness and inconvenience of leaving houses that have been built upon the ground on the edge of a high embankment or in a deep hollow. In Philadelphia they extended one of their streets through a high hill that had to be removed, over a swamp that would have been a beautiful centre for a pond in a small park and destroyed the house. Benjamin Franklin used to live in because it happened to be in the way. The street itself would have been more convenient, more beautiful, and less costly if it had curved more according to the natural contour.

After the land that is best adapted for the purposes of residences and commerce has been taken, there will remain the features, that are the most striking and that give the townsite its natural individuality. The population will work and live and extend itself out over the valleys and level lands along the lines of least resistance as the cows first struck out the street plan of Boston. The steeper hillsides and the edges of the waterways are better.

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As these places are the cheapest because least adapted for commercial or residential usage, unless they become the most beautiful under the reservation as a park, we may be assured they will become the ugliest and the shabbiest of the town's growth. The little rivers will become pestilence bearers. The fragments of ponds remaining unfilled will be nuisances to all their surrounding neighborhoods while a comparatively small outlay would turn them into scenes of horticultural beauty.

The park system has a very definite and economic relation to the city plan.

It provides the fresh air and happy surroundings—which are the two greatest factors for efficiency of labor and the well-being of the people. It saves the municipality large sums in trying to convert, or rather revert, certain portions of the area to residential or commercial uses for which they are not adapted. No municipality is too small to have its park reservation, even if it is not improved until a late date.

The cities in the United States have had to pay a mighty penalty because in their prosperity they have let the process of leveling go on unchecked, while their expansion has taken into little thought or forethought. Now they are recasting and replanning their whole arrangement at immense cost. The authorities have only met the problems of transit, water supply, sewers, gas, telephone and some sanitary measures without starting at the foundation and having a sane plan on which to grow. Some English cities are relieving unlooked-for congestion by widening old streets and putting in new ones. They have adopted measures there which are laid out in much life.

Manner of a Cobweb

If the town is situated on a fairly level site. Otherwise the streets should follow as nearly as possible natural contours, with cross streets running diagonally to give easy grades, for if the cross streets are laid out at right angles the steepest grades prevail as is the case in the city of Halifax. The diagonal streets over little triangular places of no avail for building lots but of greatest utility and beauty for small green parks. Needless to say that the streets should all be wide and the main thoroughfares much wider than the ordinary streets. Every street should be wide enough for a green strip between the curb and the sidewalk and in the main streets for a wide parkway and double row of trees in the centre.

The greatest obstacles to good rational street planning and land speculators, real estate agents, and building lot promoters. These people want the land all laid out on the rectangular scheme to give the maximum frontage and the greatest number of building lots. This arrangement does not produce the greatest ultimate value of the land belonging to the whole community. While it may run the land values to a high figure in a congested portion, all the outlying portions of the town are practically waste places. If the streets are laid out with some regard for the topography, they possess

Natural Charm and Beauty,

and while the price per square foot is not so high in any one place, the whole value of real estate is enhanced over and above the whole value on the gridiron plan. Everyone knows that a fine house with beautiful grounds raises the value of adjacent building lots much more than if it is a squat packing box of a house set on the street line with a disgraceful backyard enclosed with a high fence.

Beautiful surroundings increase real estate values and refine the citizens. ugliness only cheapens the whole appearance of the town and has a degrading influence on her growing men and women. The street plan is fundamental and should be based on lines of business convenience, social service, and civic art. The streets that are at present, and will be in the future, the main thoroughfare must be straight. They should provide

Direct and Easy Communication,

not only north, south, east and west, but northwest, northeast, southeast and southwest. The streets should not cut through and spoil any places of natural beauty that should be kept as parks and playgrounds. All the streets which together constitute the town plan should lead the town consciously or unconsciously to realize all the possibilities of beauty given to it by Nature and all that can be bestowed upon it by municipal art.

The next most important consideration to streets is the question of providing parks, breathing places and playgrounds. (Parks are vital public utilities because in no other feature of the town plan does early neglect impose so grievous a burden of taxation.) Many cities in all the civilized world are expending enormous amounts of money yearly in expropriation of property in congested districts, simply to destroy the buildings and substitute a green lawn. It is estimated that in England along there has been spent in late years

\$20,000,000 for destructive work alone.

All this work of tearing down, and obliterating valuable property might well be avoided if a little wisdom and foresight had been displayed in the first place and a

from the curb a considerable distance, and this brings me to another important condition to be observed in rational municipal growth. There should be a building line established on every street. It is quite permissible to allow building on the street line in congested business districts where real estate values are high, business is concentrated and the blocks are devoted to commercial purposes only. But it is unpardonable that residences for the rich or poor should be built on the street line. The man who wishes to have as large a back garden as possible should be compelled by a town or city ordinance to leave a green space in front of his dwelling. The town or city is conferring on him and his family the greatest advantage and benefit possible. By removing the dwelling from the street line the appearance of the street is increased a thousandfold and the value of the

Real Estate is Much Enhanced. This has been proved again and again. Then the house stands much less chance of attracting dust and its attendant germs than if it sticks its nose directly into the dirty thoroughfare. The amount of dirt with all the weary drudgery of its repeated removal by the over-worked women of the families is decreased to a surprisingly small degree.

It might seem hardly wise to go to the degree of compelling a man to build a house with an attractive exterior but it is a thing which deserves serious consideration in this Nova Scotia of ours where there is the blindest wholesale scramble to build flat-roofed, square-front dwellings, veritable "packing boxes." In Paris, no house is permitted to be erected unless it has a pleasing exterior and further is in harmony with its associates on the street.

Measures like this might seem stringent in this fine country, but it is restrictions such as these that make Paris a delight for all the world and a mighty pride for all, to the meanest inhabitant. I could speak of other important matters which form important bases for rational municipal growth, but I think the ones I have dwelt upon are the ones that should receive consideration from our broadest minded, most wide awake municipal authorities. I would not have any thing that I am proposing expensive and serious changes to the municipalities as already existing. Far from this. What would bring to your attention is the need for

Planning for the Future, to develop on the right lines the outlying areas of the community that may be made things of beauty to be proud of instead of hideous places that may influence seriously the ambitions and morals of a whole people. It seems a pity when we build anew, as has been done in some colliery districts, that they should be barren of verdure, with the stumps of felled trees in the streets, and that they should be on hills that are the worst possible for future convenience and beauty, and that the great individual natural beauty of the location has been obliterated forever. Let us grow even faster than we are growing, but let us grow sanely and in the light of the fullest knowledge of these things.

#### PLAQUE FIGHTING CATS.

Salvation Army at Backs of Venture in India Which is Great Success.

A few months ago a small but determined detachment of British cats sailed for India to wage war against the rats which are regarded as constituting one of the most serious features in the spreading of the plague in that country. It was the Salvation Army that made the experiment, and now the first satisfactory results have become known.

Colonel Kitching, of the army's headquarters, states that although only a comparatively small number of cats have been sent out it certainly looks as if the scheme would be a great success.

Commissioner Booth-Tucker reports that already every branch of the Salvation Army has been provided with cats, and individual members have been instructed to distribute the animals among the native population.

The Inspector-general of hospitals in the Punjab has stated that the Indian government views the army's experiment with great satisfaction, though he added: "We must not restrict ourselves to this. Traps and poison must be used. The rats must be fought by every means."

It is worthy of remark that in Ceylon, where the plague is unknown, cats are to be found in practically every household.

The Salvation Army is now taking steps to form cat-breeding farms throughout India.

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"FIELD MARSHAL" KITCHENER. Commander of Indian Forces likely to receive High Military Rank.

London, Dec. 13.—It is understood that Lord Kitchener will be raised to the rank of field marshal next year, and it is suggested that he be given the task of commanding the forces of the Empire and consolidating the forces of the world in the event of a great war.

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#### THE COSTLY FOG,

Twenty years ago, the loss caused annually by smoke and fog in London was computed to be more than \$22,000,000, divided as follows: Waste of fuel (25 per cent), \$5,000,000; additional cost of laundering and wear and tear of garments, carpets and other fabrics, \$5,000,000; loss occasioned by death and illness, caused by smoke \$1,600,000. To this must be added at least \$5,000,000 for the deterioration of mortar, marble, granite and other stone in buildings, cleaning and painting walls, signs and shop fronts, corrosion and perishings of metal works, cleaning windows, deterioration and restoration of paintings, engravings and books, loss of time by artists, photographers and others whose occupations require abundant daylight and damage to trees and plants. Further additions should be made for the cost of artificial light and heat made necessary by the darkness, cold and humidity caused by the obstruction of the sun, the cost of cleaning chimneys, etc. Finally, the smoke causes the metropolis to be shunned by the wealthy classes, and appreciably diminishes the value of real estate. Hence the total annual loss caused by smoke must be about \$30,000,000, or \$5 per capita. Mr. John Graham, who makes this compilation and estimate, appeals to every intelligent citizen of London to lessen his individual contribution to the smoke evil by every means in his power. Graham expresses the opinion that the majority of dwellings might be heated with coke or gas instead of coal, and that the smoke discharged by factories could be greatly diminished by the adoption of smoke-consuming devices that are already on the market.—Scientific American.

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The Girls Are Quite Fit to Take the Field, Says Captain.

Capt. Baker, the commanding officer of the First-Aid Mounted Nurses Yeomanry, announces that he has now a squad of his corps prepared and ready for active service at any moment, according to a London dispatch. "The girls are quite fit to take the field," said Capt. Baker, "and they would be a valuable unit for the first-aid work in which they have been trained. I have started an active service list, and quite half the corps has joined. This means that, should war break out, and the war office decide to avail itself of the girls' nursing brigade, those who are on the active list are prepared to go anywhere in the world at twenty-four hours' notice, and work under service conditions."

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To the twelve nearest guessers, whether they guess the right time or not, only one prize to any one person.

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Coupons should be handed in at as early a date as possible, as, in the event of two or more winners guessing the same time, the first of them handed in will be given the preference.

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7th Prize: Gent's 14k. Gold Filled Double Rope Watch Chain of the "Belcher" B. F. Simmons manufac-

ture. \$7.75

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## Hunting Ocean Game With Rod and Reel

No sport more sensational exists in the opinion of many persons, than hunting big game of the ocean with rod and reel. At times there are perils to equal any met in the depths of African forests. The reputed peacefulness of the angler's art seems rather imaginary when a man engages in an all-day battle with a fish as weighty as a small horse and takes chances of being killed by the sea monster's frenzied leap into his boat. A number of fishermen have been killed while fighting tarpon in the Mexican Gulf, and perilous adventures with the tuna of the California coast are recorded. Capers are frequent; sometimes a fouled line drags the angler under water, and in tow of a 200-pound fish. One of the many varieties of incidental dangers was illustrated the other day in a dispatch from Santa Catalina Island, the California tuna preserve, stating that a New York physician was furiously attacked in his launch by a horde of seals hungry for his catch of albacore.

### Fishing for Big Game.

It is a modern recreation to go after big fish with rod and line. Some years ago it was thought impossible to catch ocean giants in this way. Sportmen conceived the notion of using delicate apparatus and applying artistic skill to subdue the marine enemy, whose strength slowly ebbs after hours of combat.

The secret is never to let the fish rest and to "play" it from the moment it is hooked. Sometimes a tuna, utterly exhausted after a long struggle, dies from heart failure, just like a human athlete. There are fishing club rules limiting the weight of the rod and the thickness of the line, so as to give the game a fighting chance.

After the victory the fish are generally turned loose. The big game is not edible as a rule. Among the few big game species are the tuna, tarpon, black grouper, black sea bass, amberjack and barracuda. The tuna belongs to the mackerel tribe. A specimen weighing one thousand pounds has been speared. The tarpon is a herring, and the record specimen weighed 355 pounds. No fish in nature is credited with such athletic feats as the tarpon. It leaps a straight dozen feet into the air and hurl itself sideways for a distance of thirty feet, almost eclipsing the aerial flight of the flying fish, which is its prey. If the silver-bodied giant, taking a catapult leap, ever lands in a boat the fishermen are lucky to gain the water without fractured limbs.

Preparing for the Tuna.

The tuna season is on at Santa Catalina Island between April and July, when the flying fish, on which the big game fish feed, are in evidence.

The fisherman trolls from a rowboat hitched to a power launch. His rod and line are worth perhaps \$250. There are six hundred feet of linen line tested to pull a dead weight of forty pounds, a six-foot piano-wire leader and a stout rod weighing 26 ounces. The bait is a flying fish.

### The First Bite.

"The launch steams along shore; the first gray light of dawn steals across the sky," says Maximilian Foster in a description of the sport in Munsey's.

"Near at hand a heavy splash resounds across the water—another and another. The tuna have struck in. You hear their heavy bodies thudding upon the flat sea, and the boatman warns you to be on the watch. 'Here they come,' he whispers. A blue black form hurtles into the air, falling in a fountain of spume. 'Flop! Fee-eee-eee!' screams the reel. The tip of your rod bends beneath the water. You have the butt jammed into a socket hole reamed in the thwart, and you hang on desperately, laying all your weight to the real brake, a square of moosehide leather that half embraces the speed. It is water soaked and pliable, but still it is fairly smoking with the friction.

The solution of Mystery.

"What caused the explosion?" That is a difficult question, and now that all the men who were in the barbette at the time are dead, it is improbable that we shall ever arrive at the truth of the matter.

"The suggestion that the gun was overcharged can be put out of the question, for even if it had been red hot, which it most certainly was not, the charge would have been fired the moment it came in contact with the hot metal instead of waiting three minutes while the metal cooled. The same argument may apply to the embers which may possibly have remained in the chamber from the previous round; they should have fired the charge in less than three minutes. But in this respect it is important to remember that there is very little air in the chamber of a gun when the breech is closed, while the opening of the breech forms a regular draught which might fan smouldering embers into flame. And in some quarters this is believed to be the solution of the mystery.

The Safety Link.

"You probably know that all modern guns are fitted with mechanical contrivances to reduce the chance of accidents to a minimum. Such, for instance, is the 'safety link,' which prevents the 'striker' coming in contact with the charge, even when the firing key is pressed, until the breech is properly locked, and thus renders it impossible to fire before everything is 'safe.' But it may well happen that the 'link' is not adjusted properly, or it may even have been removed altogether."

"An instance of this occurred some five or six years back in H. M. S. Royal Sovereign in the Mediterranean.

During firing, one day it became necessary to 'strip' the breech lock, and in the hurry it was replaced without the safety link. Consequently, the striker protruded, and as it was 'percussion firing,' the mere impact of the heavy breech block being slammed home fired the charge, and an officer and several seamen were killed, while many more, including a commander, were seriously injured.

### Chase With a Shark.

The excitement of tarpon fishing off the Florida coast is sometimes varied with shark chases. A man's rope about the size of a clothes line, a cleat leader and a steel hook seven inches long is the outfit necessary. A ten-pound groupie is a good bait which the houndlike scavenger of the deep can seek for a long distance.

Realized the Dangers.

"One morning I hooked a very large shark," says C. E. Holder in his "Log of Sea Angler," "which, despite my efforts, ran out the entire line, and as our dingy started I cast my eye over the side and saw at least six tiger sharks following. They were about five feet below the surface, and kept with us until I had the

boat with a 50-ton gun in H. M. S. Mars opened the eyes of the authorities to the danger of the emission.

"The breeches of the guns in question were opened and closed by a large wheel turned by one 'number' of the gun's crew, and when the wheel would turn no further it was stopped. Now there is an asbestos pad on the breech screw which acts as a species of gas-tight joint, preventing the gas of the explosion escaping to the rear and so injuring the gun's crew, and on the occasion under consideration, this pad had swelled after prolonged firing and 'jammed' in the chamber. Consequently, the wheel refused to turn, and naturally enough, the gun was reported as 'ready.' And this is where the bad luck comes in. Had the gun captain been using the 'primary' circuit all could have been well, since the circuit could not be completed until everything was 'safe.' But, as it happened, he had just shifted to the 'secondary' circuit, which had no such safety arrangement, and when he pressed the firing key a terrible catastrophe took place. Everybody in the barbette was killed with the exception of one midshipman, who was blown through a manhole and into the sea, and, wonderfully to relate, he was picked up practically unharmed.

"Needless to say, this defect has now been remedied, and safety arrangements are fitted to both circuits. And that is one of my reasons for saying that the risks of gun accidents occurring are growing less every year. You see, we are learning by our mistakes."—Montreal Standard.

### BLUE SKY FOR LONDON.

London will no longer deserve the adjective "smoky" if an invention to do away with the smoke of furnaces and at the same time to economize fuel fulfills the promise which preliminary tests have revealed.

The invention is that of Mr. Hope, an engineer, and is called the "Eclipse Boiler Furnace." Briefly, the apparatus consists of a gas-producer which delivers at the far end of the furnace, which sits up on coal fire, a volume of gas which sets up a current of convection producing incandescence. The smoke from the fire is driven by the draught against this wall of intensely hot flame, where it is burnt up and absolutely destroyed before it can reach the shaft.

Not only does the Eclipse Boiler Furnace satisfy its claim to eradicate smoke, but it makes an absolute saving of from 30 per cent. to 40 per cent. in the cost of fuel.

## This Recipe Will End All Your Kidney and Bladder Afflictions

The great majority of men and women at the age of 50 years begin to feel the first signs of advancing age in some form of kidney trouble and bladder weakness. Few are entirely free from that tortuous disease, rheumatism, which is not a disease in itself, but a symptom of deranged function of the kidneys, which have become clogged and sluggish, failing in their duty of sift and straining the numerous waste matter, not acid, etc., from the blood, permitting it to remain and decompose, settling about the joints and muscles, causing intense pain and suffering.

The bladder, however, causes the old folks the most annoyance, especially at night and early morning.

Hundreds of readers who suffer will find the following, which is known as the Dandelion mixture, the most harmless and effective treatment to clean the system of rheumatic poisons, remove irritation of the bladder and relieve urinary difficulties of the old people. It is a true vitalizing tonic to the entire kidney and urinary structure, revigorating the entire system.

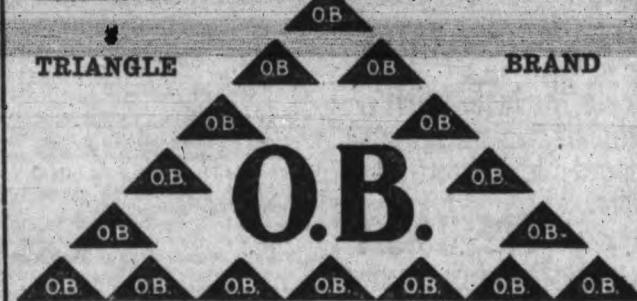
The Dandelion mixture consists of the following simple prescription, the ingredients of which can be obtained from any good pharmacy at small cost: Compound Kargon, one ounce; Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and upon going to bed, also drink plenty of water.

This prescription, though simple, is always effective in the diseases and afflictions of the kidneys and bladder and rheumatism.

8,000 Elephants Kemmed in on the Upper Nile.

In consequence of the Congo having practically ceased to administer the Lado Enclave, many Europeans are hunting elephants in the district. It is reported that an enormous herd, numbering 8,000 elephants, has been rounded up and hemmed in by the hunters, who are shooting the males. Two of the hunters who have returned to Entebbe after four months' shooting are reported to have made £2,000 out of their trip.—Mombasa Dispatch.

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### Fancy Rockers

We have a very fine showing of Rockers just now. Only room to mention one style, but it is a very comfortable one, has large seat and wide arms and back.

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**VALUABLE HORSE  
KILLED IN COLLISION.**

Furious Driving Held to Have Been Responsible for Accident.

The police have not yet discovered the identity of the person whose furious driving resulted in the death of a valuable horse on Saturday night. Mrs. Charles Chislett was driving on Tolmie avenue, near the brickyards, about 7 o'clock that evening when a horse and buggy, with lights and driving furiously along Douglas street, crashed into her horse. A shaft penetrated the animal's chest, killing it. The driver made no inquiry and did not stop to see what damage had been done but continued on at the same furious rate. Mrs. Chislett's vehicle was on the proper side of the road and was provided with lights. The horse was a valuable one.

The police are determined to put a stop to the practice of driving without lights, which some drivers persist in doing in spite of the by-law.

In the police court this morning a driver of a butcher's delivery wagon, was summoned for driving without a light on Saturday evening. He pleaded guilty to the charge and said he did not know there was any law requiring him to have lights.

His employer explained that the boy was new to the business.

City Prosecutor Moore pointed out that the by-law was an old one and was known, or should be known, to every merchant.

The magistrate imposed a fine of \$5 and cautioned the employer to instruct his drivers to look after their lights.

**TWO-CENT PASSENGER RATE.  
Missouri Companies Claim They Are Unable to Do Business Profitably Under Existing Laws.**

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 14.—The Missouri rate case, involving the two-cent passenger rate and the maximum freight rate was resumed before Judge Smith McPherson in the federal court to-day after a recess of four weeks. Most of the testimony so far has tended to show the alleged increased cost of doing state business over inter-state and trans-state business, and has been presented with a view of upholding the claims of the roads that they are unable to do business with profit under the existing rate laws.

**WEATHER BULLETIN.**

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 14.—5.2 m.—The storm area is now central over the prairie provinces and the pressure is comparatively higher on the Washington coast. Snow has fallen at Barkerville and in Comox valley on the south Mainland, Vancouver and in Western Oregon and Washington. On the Pacific slope the weather is now mostly fair and cold, and east of the Rockies it is fair and moderately cold.

**Forecasts.**

For 35 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate westerly winds, generally fair and cold at night.

Lake Mainland—Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 35; minimum, 25; wind, 2 miles S. W.; rain, 35; weather, part cloudy.

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Edmonton—Barometer, 29.40; temperature, 35; minimum, 25; wind, 15 miles N.; weather, cloudy.

**NEW MEAT COMPANY  
EXTENDING BUSINESS**

Douglas Street Market Found Insufficient to Meet the Demands.

The Vancouver and Prince Rupert Meat Company, which only recently opened its first retail store in the city, has found business such as to warrant the placing of a branch in the James Bay district. This is being opened on Niagara street near the junction with Menzies street. The object of the new store is to serve the district in which it is placed and relieve the situation in the Douglas street store.

The James Bay branch will carry a full line of every kind of meat, so that patrons may be served just as well as at the main store on Douglas street.

Work is being pushed forward on what is the central depot for the company in the city, the store on Johnson street. It will be ready for the receiving of meats by Christmas, and from that it will be made the headquarters in Victoria. The wholesale trade will be done from there, but it will also do retail business in common with the Douglas street and the James Bay branches.

Mr. Sprout, the local manager, is well satisfied with the results in Victoria, and says that Victorians have not been slow in common with citizens in other cities of the coast, to accord patronage to them. In Vancouver there are six branches, one in New Westminster and Victoria will soon have three. Some of the leading ranchers of British Columbia are members of the company, and it is from provincial ranches that the meats are obtained. To-morrow a carload of pou-

try will arrive in Vancouver for the Christmas trade. Victoria's complement will arrive in a few days.

**FRASER LAKE SETTLERS**

**WANT NEW WAGON ROAD**

Finest Farming Country in British Columbia, Says M. McNiven.

M. McNiven, who arrived in town last week from his ranch at Fraser lake and is staying at the Dominion hotel where he will make his headquarters for the winter, says that the Fraser Lake country at the present time badly requires improved transportation facilities and a saw mill. The transportation facilities have been promised, to consist of a wagon road over the country from Quesnel to Fraser lake, by the government. The residents of the district, who have been expecting the road to be pushed ahead, are this winter hoping it will be completed. The construction of the road this winter means that many settlers will go during the spring and summer, says Mr. McNiven, as where they have to use pack horses now, with the proposed road completed wagons will be able to go over the trail. There is seventy miles of road to be completed, he says, and it will pass through some of the finest fruit and farming land in British Columbia. Twenty-seven miles west of the lake is an area of five miles by twenty-five miles of first-class virgin land, lightly timbered. Mr. McNiven points out this area as one of many in the Fraser Lake district that are suitable for settlement, and which are equal for the purpose to any land in the province. In the Fraser Lake exhibit at the Westminster fair were specimen potatoes weighing between one and two pounds, while the other exhibits were equally high in quality. Mr. McNiven says the exhibit was brought in from the fields by Chinese in the employ of settlers. The selection was made in the ordinary way.

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DEPUTY-STATE COMPTROLLER.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 14.—State Comptroller-elect Charles Gauss announced to-day that on January 1st he will appoint Otto Kelsey state superintendent of Insurance, to be his first deputy. Mr. Gauss wrote to Superintendent Kelsey on December 7th asking him if he would accept the position, and to-day received an affirmative reply.

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P. SHANLEY,  
Worthy President.

Attest: J. H. HUGHES, Sec.

cial blessedness of the water of the Ganges. E. H. Hankin, in the preface to the fifth edition of his excellent pamphlet on "The Cause and Prevention of Cholera," writes as follows:

"Since I originally wrote this pamphlet I have discovered that the water of the Ganges and the Jumna is hostile to the growth of the cholera microbe, not only owing to the absence of food materials, but also owing to the actual presence of an antiseptic that has the power of destroying this microbe. At present I can make no suggestion as to the origin of this mysterious antiseptic."

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ALL THE NEWS IN THE TIMES

## "The Statue"

By Eden Phillpotts and  
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#### CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

"Yes," said he, a little grimly. "I'm not up to the mark. The fact is, I'm very much upset."

"Do sit down," Millicent urged him.

"And I've come to you. I didn't want to—but I've come."

"What is it?" she questioned calmly.

"Where is Norah?" He put the query with characteristic bluntness.

"Norah! Isn't she with you?"

"No. And hasn't been for a fortnight."

"She hasn't been nursing you?"

"Nursing me?" He seemed at a loss.

"Yes. In your illness."

"Oh! In my illness! No, she hasn't."

"Mother and I thought that the reason she had not come over to see us was that she could not leave you. I sent her a note. But there came no reply." There was a passing shade of sisterly resentment in Millicent's tone.

"But do you really mean to say you don't know where Norah is?"

"I do not."

"Mr. Crampiron! How extraordinary! Why didn't you come to us before? When did you last see her?"

"On the day of the inquest," said Crampiron.

"And she didn't say she was going anywhere?"

"Not a word. I did not care to come to you before. I was sure she was not here."

"Have you and she had any difficulty?"

"Not the slightest," said Crampiron.

"What? That we are married? Of course we are married!"

In an instant he had divined her subtle hostility, and he spoke defiantly.

"Not Maurice said nothing?"

"Not a word as to Norah. Therefore he can't be concerned about her. Therefore he must know where she is. I don't think Maurice knows where she is," said Crampiron.

"Why not?"

"Because I think she has broken off her engagement with him."

"Broke off her engagement! But for what reason?"

"How can I tell?" Crampiron said slowly.

"Has she hinted to you that she meant to break it off?"

Crampiron nodded.

"But Maurice would have said something to me!" Millicent protested.

"Not if she had forbidden him to."

"Why should she forbid him?"

"Ah! I came here to ask questions, not to answer them. I can't answer yours, Miss Millicent. And I don't know that I really expected answers to mine. I came—I don't know why I came. Only that there was nothing else left for me to do."

"It is a very good thing you did come," Millicent responded. "Maurice has here at five o'clock; he telegraphed to me this morning."

Crampiron started.

"Half an hour," he murmured, glancing at a timepiece on the writing-table.

"No," she said. "That clock is a quarter of an hour slow. You can question him yourself. Oh, Mr. Crampiron."

Crampiron noticed that she was crying. There was no sob, no abandonment; but the tears coursed one after another down the delicate cheeks.

"What are you crying for?" Crampiron queried clumsily. He would probably have known better how to treat a cow than a woman.

Millicent wiped her eyes.

"Excuse me," she said. "I'm rather unstrung by nursing mother. And I'm so disturbed about poor Norah. I can't understand it, not the least bit. I feel certain that there must be some very simple explanation. And yet—"

"Yet what?"

"Maurice has been very mysterious these last few days; in fact, ever since the funeral. So has Emile. I thought it was because he was helping the police in their—"

She stopped again, and this time she hid her face in her hands.

"He has only slept here once in the whole fortnight," she said brokenly. "I haven't told mother."

Crampiron drew his upper teeth over his lower lip several times, and uttered no word.

"I think I'll go," he said at length.

At the same moment there came through the open window the sound of an approaching motor-car. Millicent sprang up, and glanced out for a second.

"Yes," she said. "It's the De Dion, closed. You mustn't go, Mr. Crampiron."

She picked up the little house-telephone which stood on the table near the travelling clock, rang, and received an answering ring.

"Is that Mr. Maurice?" she inquired, her mouth at the transmitter of the telephone. Her eyes on Crampiron.

"What? Oh! Well, ask him to come up to me immediately." Then to Crampiron: "Yes, it's Maurice."

Crampiron walked about uneasily.

And the two waited in an apprehensive and tense silence.

"Stay here!" Maurice repeated mechanically.

"Are you thinking of taking a honeymoon?" Millicent inquired, and though she had not intended it, there was a most perceptible note of satire in her voice.

Norah, on the sofa, had not stirred, but had moved a finger. She lay there as if struck by an excess of emotion into immobility. Millicent glanced at her and glanced at Maurice, and then, with her face set, Millicent quitted the boudoir. She too, like Norah, was approaching the end of her physical resources. And the young married pair, in deep mourning, were left in the boudoir, and Millicent, in the deep mourning, hastened along the indeterminate picture-lined corridor of the house, saw she knew not whither. She could not seek solace with her mother. And who else remained to her? Certainly not her mother's relatives, for except the most distant, there was none surviving; Lady Mary had outlived her.

family. Her thoughts wandered to Lord Doncastle, who had naturally paid a visit of condolence, behaving therewith with an impeccable correctness and a perfect tact. Yet the souvenir of Lord Doncastle's exquisite conduct left her utterly cold.

And then, exactly as she was passing, a door opened, and Emile Berger came out of his room. She started slightly.

"How you frightened me!" she exclaimed.

He smiled gently and shook hands.

"I'm so sorry," he said.

"You came down with Maurice and Norah?" she asked.

"Yes."

"You've been helping Maurice?"

"Yes."

"How could you?" she passionately demanded, and burst into tears. She had done with calmness and self-control for a while.

Emile Berger gravely took her hand again, and let it rest in his.

"I understand what you feel," he said in a low voice. "I am all sympathetic with you. But when one has a friend one has a duty. Maurice decided definitely to marry in secret. He called me to help him. I helped him. What would you have? I said to myself he was perhaps wrong. But he is my friend, and he was resolved."

"Wrong!" murmured Millicent, wiping her eyes.

"Listen!" said Emile, persuasively.

"There is only one thing to do. You must accept it. You must forgive. In considering Maurice's mental distress, which forced him to act so, you must forgive. Imagine what he must have suffered in the suffering of Norah! To understand all is to forgive all, next to past."

There was authority, as well as persuasion, in his tone. Millicent gazed up at him, and the first inception of a sad smile lighted her face.

"No doubt you are right," she said with her lips.

Her humid eyes said what the eyes of every woman will say one day or another to him who is strong enough.

They said to Emile more plainly than speech: "You are indeed a man." And though he was in the midst of grief, and much relieved himself, it was the happiest moment of Emile's life.

Immediately afterwards they both went to Maurice Courlander, with his wife, leaving Millicent's boudoir and disappearing down the corridor in the opposite direction from themselves.

Alone with Norah in the boudoir, Maurice had said gently—

"I must go outside and think."

And Norah, without a word, had risen swiftly from the sofa and gone after him. She followed him down the many-cornered grand staircase, and across the hall, where two of Lady Mary's puppies were playing in charge of a footman, and so out on to the terrace, the great glass doors of which were propped open. The gardens and the lake seemed to languish under the magnificence of the July sun, which was, however, now declining. And afar off, at the summit of the avenue of elms, the statue raised its glittering height with the massive and marble indifference of heroic sculpture.

Norah looked at Maurice, plaintively, beseechingly. He was the master of that superb demeanor; and she was his wife. Yet she felt like an interloper, like one who had no right to be there—she who had the power, if she chose, to say to every other woman in the house: "Go."

His tone caressed her, and she was grateful, for Maurice had been terribly preoccupied and morose, even in his passionate kindness to her, during the whole of her stay in London at the flat of some French friends of Emile. Maurice had decided that they should marry, that they must marry, and she had accepted his decision; and everything had been arranged for her, and she had accomplished her personal share of the formalities as though she had been walking in a dream. In those days of suspense, while Maurice was being pushed to paroxysms of futile anger by the mysterious tactics of the detectives, who avoided explanations and seemed to get no nearer to the solution of their problem, and while Norah hid in her proud and trembling soul secrets which for her life's sake she dared divulge to none—in those days it was that they tasted, each of them, the dread and the pain of the tragic love which bound them together. One fact, and one fact only, emerged with clearness from the confused phantasmagoria that their recent existence had been—the fact that their mutual passion was intensified beyond computing. Sorrow and tragedy lay about them; but they loved. Their love was dire; but they loved.

And so when Maurice murmured: "Poor little thing!" Norah's heart lightened ever so slightly. And she said to herself, steeling her determination—

"Now is the time!"

Without more words, Maurice descended from the terrace towards the level of the lake, and Norah kept by his side. Here and there a gardener was working, either on the lawns or on the lawns, and the men touched their caps, and Norah nodded and tried to smile graciously, but Maurice seemed completely to ignore their presence.

He was meditating upon exactly what he should do, and how he could contrive things so as to spare Millicent's feelings without wounding Norah's. And he thought, in his simplicity, that Norah's brain was similarly employed. He realized that he was married, that he had a wife on his hands, and that the situation was exceedingly complex. Not once, not for a single hour, since the fatal morning at the foot of the statue, had he been able to dominate and classify the multitudinous whirl of ideas, sensations, suspicions, fears, that raged in his head; and he was in no better case now.

They passed the boat-house, and the sky-reflecting waters of the lake, asleep in the sunshine; and at last they stood at the foot of the rising avenue. The statue, with its eternal enigma, appeared to invite, to beckon, to command; and they obeyed its summons and went forward. At every step it grew bigger and more menacing. And when they reached the path, it lowered tremendously above them, like some new sphinx as silent and as baffling as the old.

"Stay here!" Maurice repeated as he came.

And Norah, in hat, veil, and jacket, appeared like a vision in the doorway.

"It may interest you to know that we were married this morning," said Maurice, jolly.

"Married! You two!" yelled Crampiron.

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